



2011 SENATE BILL 507

February 23, 2012 - Introduced by Senator GROTHMAN, cosponsored by Representative PRIDEMORE. Referred to Committee on Public Health, Human Services, and Revenue.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 48.982 (2) (g) 2., 48.982 (2) (g) 4. and 48.982 (2) (gm) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** requiring the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board
3 to emphasize nonmarital parenthood as a contributing factor to child abuse and
4 neglect.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board (CANPB) conducts various activities relating to the prevention of child abuse and neglect. Those activities include all of the following:

1. Awarding grants for child abuse and neglect prevention programs that promote public awareness of the need for child abuse and neglect prevention and that provide community-based education and services for parents, children, and families.
2. Awarding grants to family resource centers that provide parenting education and referrals to other social services programs.
3. Administering statewide projects for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.
4. In cooperation with the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Public Instruction, promoting statewide educational and public awareness campaigns and materials for the purpose of developing public awareness of the problems of child abuse and neglect and disseminating information about the problems of, and methods of preventing, child abuse and neglect to the public and to organizations concerned with those problems.

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5. Providing, for use in its statewide projects and for use by organizations that receive grants from the CANPB, educational and public awareness materials and programming that emphasize the role of fathers in the primary prevention of child abuse and neglect.

This bill requires the CANPB, in conducting those activities, to emphasize nonmarital parenthood as a contributing factor to child abuse and neglect.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

1 **SECTION 1.** 48.982 (2) (g) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

2 48.982 (2) (g) 2. Promote statewide educational and public awareness
3 campaigns and materials for the purpose of developing public awareness of the
4 problems of child abuse and neglect. In promoting those campaigns and materials,
5 the board shall emphasize nonmarital parenthood as a contributing factor to child
6 abuse and neglect.

7 **SECTION 2.** 48.982 (2) (g) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

8 48.982 (2) (g) 4. Disseminate information about the problems of and methods
9 of preventing child abuse and neglect to the public and to organizations concerned
10 with those problems. In disseminating that information, the board shall emphasize
11 nonmarital parenthood as a contributing factor to child abuse and neglect.

12 **SECTION 3.** 48.982 (2) (gm) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 48.982 (2) (gm) Provide, for use by the board in its statewide projects under sub.
14 (5) and for use by organizations that receive grants under subs. (4) and (6),
15 educational and public awareness materials and programming that emphasize
16 nonmarital parenthood as a contributing factor to child abuse and neglect and the
17 role of fathers in the primary prevention of child abuse and neglect.

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