



2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 749

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1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 115.367 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** school-based mental
2 health services grants.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Public Instruction must administer a competitive grant program under which DPI awards grants to school boards and independent charter schools for the purpose of collaborating with community mental health agencies to provide mental health services to pupils. Under the bill, the purpose of these grants is to collaborate with mental health providers, as opposed to community mental health agencies, to provide mental health services to pupils.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 115.367 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 115.367 (1) GRANT PROGRAM. The department shall establish and administer
5 a competitive program to award grants to school boards and operators of charter
6 schools under s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x) for the purpose of collaborating with ~~community~~
7 ~~mental health agencies~~ mental health providers to provide mental health services

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SECTION 1

1 to pupils. School boards and operators of charter schools under s. 118.40 (2r) and (2x)
2 may apply for a grant under this section individually or as a consortium of school
3 boards, charter schools, or both. For purposes of this subsection, a “consortium of
4 school boards” includes a cooperative educational service agency.

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