



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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## 2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 798

January 4, 2022 - Introduced by Representatives NEUBAUER, HESSELBEIN, L. MYERS, ANDERSON, ANDRACA, BALDEH, BROSTOFF, CABRERA, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, EMERSON, HEBL, HONG, B. MEYERS, MILROY, OHNSTAD, POPE, S. RODRIGUEZ, SHANKLAND, SHELTON, SINICKI, SNODGRASS, SPREITZER, STUBBS, SUBECK, VINING and VRUWINK, cosponsored by Senators BEWLEY, SMITH, RINGHAND, LARSON, JOHNSON, ROYS, ERPENBACH, AGARD, L. TAYLOR and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Energy and Utilities.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

1     **AN ACT to amend** 119.04 (1); and **to create** 20.255 (2) (dv) and 115.457 of the  
2             statutes; **relating to:** an energy efficiency grant program for school districts,  
3             funding for the University of Wisconsin System, granting rule-making  
4             authority, and making an appropriation.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill creates a grant program under which the Department of Public Instruction must award grants to school districts for energy efficiency projects in school buildings. For the first two school years of the grant program, DPI must give preference in awarding grants to projects that relate to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems. DPI may promulgate rules to implement the grant program.

The bill also provides additional funding for the University of Wisconsin System under its general program operations for purposes of maintaining compliance with maintenance of effort requirements of the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act and the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

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

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

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**SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
2 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
3 <b>20.255 Public instruction, department of</b>		
4 (2) AIDS FOR LOCAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING		
5 (dv) Energy efficiency projects; grants GPR A	-0-	10,000,000

6           **SECTION 2.** 20.255 (2) (dv) of the statutes is created to read:  
7 20.255 (2) (dv) *Energy efficiency projects; grants.* The amounts in the schedule  
8 for grants to school districts under s. 115.457.

9           **SECTION 3.** 115.457 of the statutes is created to read:  
10 **115.457 Energy efficiency projects; grants. (1)** Beginning in the 2022-23  
11 school year, the department shall award grants to school districts for energy  
12 efficiency projects in school buildings.

13           **(2)** In awarding grants under this section for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school  
14 years, the department shall give preference to projects that relate to heating,  
15 ventilation, and air conditioning systems.

16           **(3)** The department may promulgate rules to implement this section.

17           **SECTION 4.** 119.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:  
18 119.04 (1) Subchapters IV, V, and VII of ch. 115, ch. 121, and ss. 66.0235 (3) (c),  
19 66.0603 (1m) to (3), 115.01 (1) and (2), 115.28, 115.31, 115.33, 115.34, 115.343,  
20 115.345, 115.363, 115.364, 115.365 (3), 115.366, 115.367, 115.38 (2), 115.415, 115.445,  
21 115.457, 118.001 to 118.04, 118.045, 118.06, 118.07, 118.075, 118.076, 118.10, 118.12,  
22 118.125 to 118.14, 118.145 (4), 118.15, 118.153, 118.16, 118.162, 118.163, 118.164,  
23 118.18, 118.19, 118.196, 118.20, 118.223, 118.225, 118.24 (1), (2) (c) to (f), (6), (8), and

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1 (10), 118.245, 118.25, 118.255, 118.258, 118.291, 118.292, 118.293, 118.30 to 118.43,  
2 118.46, 118.50, 118.51, 118.52, 118.53, 118.55, 118.56, 120.12 (2m), (4m), (5), and (15)  
3 to (27), 120.125, 120.13 (1), (2) (b) to (g), (3), (14), (17) to (19), (26), (34), (35), (37),  
4 (37m), and (38), 120.137, 120.14, 120.20, 120.21 (3), and 120.25 are applicable to a  
5 1st class city school district and board but not, unless explicitly provided in this  
6 chapter or in the terms of a contract, to the commissioner or to any school transferred  
7 to an opportunity schools and partnership program.

8 **SECTION 5. Fiscal changes.**

9 (1) UW SYSTEM; GENERAL PROGRAM OPERATIONS. In the schedule under s. 20.005  
10 (3) for the appropriation to the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin  
11 System under s. 20.285 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2022-23 is increased  
12 by \$970,000 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made.

13 (END)