



2017 SENATE BILL 127

March 23, 2017 - Introduced by Senators FEYEN, LASEE, L. TAYLOR and COWLES, cosponsored by Representatives BALLWEG, MURSAU, SKOWRONSKI, NOVAK, TUSLER and BILLINGS. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development, Military Affairs and Senior Issues.

1 **AN ACT to repeal** 106.273 (3) (b); **to renumber and amend** 106.273 (3) (a)
2 (intro.), 106.273 (3) (a) 1. and 106.273 (3) (a) 2.; **to amend** 20.445 (1) (b) and
3 20.445 (1) (bm); and **to create** 20.445 (1) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** career
4 and technical education incentive grants and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill removes the per pupil limitation on career and technical education incentive grants that the Department of Workforce Development awards to school districts. Under current law, DWD must award a grant to a school district in the amount of \$1,000 per pupil who, in the prior school year, obtained a high school diploma and successfully completed an industry-recognized certification program approved by DWD. Under the bill, DWD must award \$1,000 for each certification program completed by a pupil. The bill also changes the funding of the program from a sum certain to a sum sufficient.

For further information see the ***state and local*** 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:

5 **SECTION 1.** 20.445 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 20.445 (1) (b) *Workforce training; programs, grants, and services.* As a
2 continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for the apprenticeship
3 completion award program under s. 106.05 (2), local youth apprenticeship grants
4 under s. 106.13 (3m), youth summer jobs programs under s. 106.18, employment
5 transit assistance grants under s. 106.26, and workforce training grants and services
6 under s. 106.27 (1), (1g), and (1r), ~~and career and technical education incentive~~
7 ~~grants under s. 106.273.~~

8 **SECTION 2.** 20.445 (1) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 20.445 (1) (bm) *Workforce training; administration.* Biennially, the amounts
10 in the schedule for the administration of the apprenticeship completion award
11 program under s. 106.05 (2), the local youth apprenticeship grant program under s.
12 106.13 (3m), the youth summer jobs program under s. 106.18, the employment
13 transit assistance grant program under s. 106.26, and the workforce training
14 program under s. 106.27, ~~and the career and technical education incentive grant~~
15 ~~program under s. 106.273.~~

16 **SECTION 3.** 20.445 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

17 20.445 (1) (c) *Career and technical education incentive grants.* A sum sufficient
18 for the career and technical education incentive grants under s. 106.273.

19 **SECTION 4.** 106.273 (3) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 106.273 (3)
20 (intro.) and amended to read:

21 106.273 (3) (intro.) From the appropriation under s. 20.445 (1) ~~(b)~~ (c), the
22 department shall ~~allocate not less than \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year for annually~~
23 ~~award~~ incentive grants to school districts under this section. ~~From that allocation,~~
24 ~~the department shall annually award to a school district in the amount of \$1,000 per~~
25 ~~pupil for each industry-recognized certification program completed by a pupil in the~~

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1 school district who, in the prior school year, obtained a high school diploma or a
2 technical education high school diploma from a school in the school district. The
3 department may make an award under this subsection only if all of the following
4 apply to the pupil's completion of the program:

5 **SECTION 5.** 106.273 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 106.273 (3) (am) and
6 amended to read:

7 106.273 (3) (am) The school ~~district has an industry-recognized certification~~
8 district's program is approved by the department under sub. (2).

9 **SECTION 6.** 106.273 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 106.273 (3) (bm) and
10 amended to read:

11 106.273 (3) (bm) The pupil successfully completed the ~~school district's~~
12 ~~industry-recognized certification~~ program under ~~subd. 1.~~ in any a school year in
13 which the program was approved by the department under sub. (2).

14 **SECTION 7.** 106.273 (3) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

15 **SECTION 8. Initial applicability.**

16 (1) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INCENTIVE GRANTS. This act first applies
17 to an award to a school district for completion of an industry-recognized certification
18 program by a pupil in the 2017-18 school year.

19 **SECTION 9. Effective date.**

20 (1) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INCENTIVE GRANTS. This act takes effect on
21 the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after publication of the 2017 biennial
22 budget act, whichever is later.

23 (END)