



2023 SENATE BILL 530

October 16, 2023 - Introduced by Senators PFAFF, CARPENTER, WIRCH, ROYS, HESSELBEIN, SPREITZER, AGARD and LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives DOYLE, BILLINGS, SUBECK, SHANKLAND, CONLEY, RATCLIFF, PALMERI, ORTIZ-VELEZ, JOERS, OHNSTAD, CONSIDINE, C. ANDERSON, ANDRACA, CLANCY and HAYWOOD. Referred to Committee on Licensing, Constitution and Federalism.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** authorizing certain full-time positions within the
2 Department of Safety and Professional Services and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill appropriates money for the Department of Safety and Professional Services to hire nine full-time staff to process professional license applications, eight full-time staff to communicate with customers and the public, and two full-time staff to help individuals, employers, and institutions of higher education understand the credential application and approval process.

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:

3 **SECTION 1. Fiscal changes.**

4 (1) PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF; DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL
5 SERVICES. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department
6 of safety and professional services under s. 20.165 (1) (g), the dollar amount for fiscal
7 year 2023-24 is increased by \$552,300 to increase the authorized FTE positions for

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1 the department by 9.0 PR positions for staff to process professional credential
2 applications. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the
3 department of safety and professional services under s. 20.165 (1) (g), the dollar
4 amount for fiscal year 2024-25 is increased by \$708,900 to provide funding for the
5 positions authorized under this subsection.

6 (2) CUSTOMER COMMUNICATION STAFF; DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL
7 SERVICES. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department
8 of safety and professional services under s. 20.165 (1) (g), the dollar amount for fiscal
9 year 2023-24 is increased by \$465,600 to increase the authorized FTE positions
10 within the department by 8.0 PR positions for staff to communicate with customers
11 and the public. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the
12 department of safety and professional services under s. 20.165 (1) (g), the dollar
13 amount for fiscal year 2024-25 is increased by \$581,800 to provide funding for the
14 positions authorized under this subsection.

15 (3) LICENSE NAVIGATORS; DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES. In
16 the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of safety and
17 professional services under s. 20.165 (1) (g), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2024-25
18 is increased by \$143,000 to increase the authorized FTE positions within the
19 department by 2.0 PR positions for staff to help individuals, employers, and
20 institutions of higher education understand the credential application and approval
21 process.

22 **SECTION 2. Effective date.**

23 (1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after
24 publication of the 2023 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

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