

1977 Assembly Bill 486

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CHAPTER 359, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to create 20.435 (2) (c) and 51.438 of the statutes, relating to establishing an employment program for the developmentally disabled, granting rule-making authority and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. At the appropriate place in the schedule under section 20.005 of the statutes, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

	1977-78	1978-79
20.435 Health and social services,		
Department of		
(2) MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES		
(c) Employment grants for devel- opmentally disabled	GPR B 30,000	90,000

SECTION 2. 20.435 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (2) (c) *Employment grants for developmentally disabled.* Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for pilot grants to nonprofit employment facilities for the employment of developmentally disabled persons under s. 51.438.

SECTION 3. 51.438 of the statutes is created to read:

51.438 Employment of the developmentally disabled. (1) The department shall provide from the appropriation under s. 20.435 (2) (c) pilot grants to nonprofit employment facilities selected by the department for employment of developmentally disabled persons.

(2) The facilities selected under sub. (1) shall employ the developmentally disabled in manufacturing a marketable product or products for sale. All proceeds from gross sales shall be reinvested in the program under this section.

(3) The department shall approve the product or products to be manufactured by the facilities selected under sub. (1).

(4) The department shall annually review and evaluate the programs of grantees under sub. (1) to assure that all grant money and sales receipts are being utilized efficiently and solely for the purpose of employing developmentally disabled persons under this section and to assure that such employees are paid no less than the minimum wage.

(5) The department may promulgate such rules as are necessary to establish eligibility for grants and administer the program under this section.
