



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO SENATE BILL 44**

October 16, 2019 - Offered by Senator JACQUE.

1 **AN ACT to create** 20.235 (1) (kg), 20.292 (1) (fc), 20.505 (8) (hm) 13t., 38.04 (34)
2 and 39.381 of the statutes; **relating to:** grants to technical college and tribal
3 college students for apprenticeship expenses and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates grant programs under which the Technical College System Board and Higher Educational Aids Board may award grants of up to \$1,500 to technical college students and tribal college students, respectively, who have undertaken an apprenticeship program in conjunction with their course of instruction at the technical college or tribal college. These grants may be awarded only to pay for the students' actual materials expenses, such as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, associated with the apprenticeship program. Among the requirements for a student to be eligible for a grant, the student must be enrolled in the apprenticeship program in the semester in which the grant is made and in the following semester, and the student's household income, as shown by current pay stubs, must be below 300 percent of the federal poverty line.

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

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

			2019-20	2020-21
20.235 Higher educational aids board				
(1) STUDENT SUPPORT ACTIVITIES				
(kg) Apprenticeship grants for tribal				
college students	PR-S	A	21,000	21,000

7 **20.292 Technical college system board**

(1) TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM				
(fc) Student apprenticeship grants	GPR	A	100,000	100,000

10 **SECTION 2.** 20.235 (1) (kg) of the statutes is created to read:

11 20.235 (1) (kg) *Apprenticeship grants for tribal college students.* The amounts
 12 in the schedule for grants to tribal college students under s. 39.381. All moneys
 13 transferred from the appropriation account under s. 20.505 (8) (hm) 13t. shall be
 14 credited to this appropriation account. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a), the
 15 unencumbered balance on June 30 of each year shall revert to the appropriation
 16 account under s. 20.505 (8) (hm).

17 **SECTION 3.** 20.292 (1) (fc) of the statutes is created to read:

18 20.292 (1) (fc) *Student apprenticeship grants.* The amounts in the schedule for
 19 grants to technical college students under s. 38.04 (34).

20 **SECTION 4.** 20.505 (8) (hm) 13t. of the statutes is created to read:

21 20.505 (8) (hm) 13t. The amount transferred to s. 20.235 (1) (kg) shall be the
 22 amount in the schedule under s. 20.235 (1) (kg).

23 **SECTION 5.** 38.04 (34) of the statutes is created to read:

1 38.04 (34) STUDENT APPRENTICESHIP GRANTS. (a) In this subsection:

2 1. “Apprenticeship program” has the meaning given in s. 106.001 (4).

3 2. “Poverty line” means the nonfarm federal poverty line for the continental
4 United States, as defined by the federal department of labor under 42 USC 9902 (2).

5 (b) From the appropriation under s. 20.292 (1) (fc), the board shall award grants
6 to students enrolled in technical colleges who have undertaken an apprenticeship
7 program in conjunction with their course of instruction at the technical college.
8 Grants may be awarded only to pay for the students’ actual materials expenses, such
9 as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, associated with the apprenticeship
10 program. Grants may not exceed \$1,500 per student or the student’s actual
11 materials expenses, whichever is less.

12 (c) The board may not award a grant to a student under this subsection unless
13 the student’s application submitted to the board includes all of the following:

14 1. A recommendation form signed by the student’s apprenticeship employer or
15 another person in the trades.

16 2. A copy of current pay stubs for the student and, if applicable, the student’s
17 spouse that demonstrate that the student’s household income is below 300 percent
18 of the poverty line.

19 3. A statement of how the award would help the student complete the student’s
20 apprenticeship program.

21 4. A statement signed by the student certifying all of the following:

22 a. That the student will be enrolled in the apprenticeship program in the
23 following semester.

1 b. That the student will use the grant award to pay for materials expenses, such
2 as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, that are directly related to the
3 apprenticeship program.

4 (d) The board may not award a grant to a student under this subsection unless
5 the board has verified the student's enrollment in the apprenticeship program in the
6 semester in which the grant award is made.

7 (e) The board may not award grants under this subsection totaling more than
8 \$100,000 in any academic year.

9 (f) The board may structure the grants awarded under this subsection to create
10 incentives for completing apprenticeship programs.

11 **SECTION 6.** 39.381 of the statutes is created to read:

12 **39.381 Apprenticeship grants for tribal college students. (1)** In this
13 section:

14 (a) "Apprenticeship program" has the meaning given in s. 106.001 (4).

15 (b) "Poverty line" means the nonfarm federal poverty line for the continental
16 United States, as defined by the federal department of labor under 42 USC 9902 (2).

17 (c) "Tribal college" has the meaning given in s. 39.382 (1) (d).

18 **(2)** From the appropriation under s. 20.235 (1) (kg), the board shall award
19 grants to students enrolled in tribal colleges who have undertaken an apprenticeship
20 program in conjunction with their course of instruction at the tribal college. Grants
21 may be awarded only to pay for the students' actual materials expenses, such as the
22 cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, associated with the apprenticeship program.
23 Grants may not exceed \$1,500 per student or the student's actual materials
24 expenses, whichever is less.

