



State of Wisconsin
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**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 832**

January 18, 2022 - Offered by Representative MCGUIRE.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 20.455 (2) (as); *to amend* 20.455 (2) (am), 165.85 (5) (b) and
2 165.85 (5x); and *to create* 165.85 (5) (e) of the statutes; **relating to:** increasing
3 the law enforcement training reimbursement and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Law Enforcement Standards Board reimburses each political subdivision for approved expenses incurred by law enforcement officers, jail officers, and juvenile detention officers who complete training at board-certified schools. Under current law, LESB reimburses the costs associated with preparatory training for new recruits, and for the cost of annual recertification training.

This bill requires LESB to reimburse the costs of preparatory training that were paid by an individual, in addition to those costs that were paid by a political subdivision on behalf of a recruit.

Under current law, reimbursement to a political subdivision for annual recertification training must be at least \$160 per officer. The bill increases the reimbursement to \$320 per officer.

The bill provides sum sufficient general purpose revenue funding to pay for the increased certification and recertification reimbursements.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** 20.455 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 20.455 (2) (am) *Officer training reimbursement.* A sum sufficient to make
3 payments under s. 165.85 (5) (b) and (e) and (5x). ~~The amount appropriated under~~
4 ~~this paragraph may not exceed \$150,000 in any fiscal year that are not otherwise~~
5 ~~paid from the appropriation under par. (j).~~

6 **SECTION 2.** 20.455 (2) (as) of the statutes, as created by 2021 Wisconsin Act 58,
7 is repealed.

8 **SECTION 3.** 165.85 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 165.85 (5) (b) The board shall authorize the reimbursement to each political
10 subdivision of approved expenses incurred by recruits who satisfactorily complete
11 training at schools certified by the board. Reimbursement of these expenses for law
12 enforcement officer, jail officer and juvenile detention officer preparatory training
13 shall be for board approved tuition, living, and travel expenses. Reimbursement of
14 approved expenses for completion of annual recertification training under sub. (4)
15 shall include at least \$160 ~~\$320~~ per officer thereafter. Funds may also be distributed
16 for attendance at other training programs and courses or for training services on a
17 priority basis to be decided by the department of justice.

18 **SECTION 4.** 165.85 (5) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

19 165.85 (5) (e) The board shall reimburse approved expenses for an individual
20 who satisfactorily completes preparatory training at a board-certified school and
21 who subsequently becomes certified as a law enforcement officer, jail officer, or

1 juvenile detention officer. Expenses eligible for reimbursement under this
2 paragraph include tuition and living and travel expenses.

3 **SECTION 5.** 165.85 (5x) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 165.85 (5x) OFFICER TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT. Notwithstanding sub. (5), in
5 each fiscal year, the department of justice shall determine the amount of additional
6 costs, including but not limited to tuition, lodging, travel, meals, salaries and fringe
7 benefits, to each political subdivision as a result of the enactment of 1993 Wisconsin
8 Act 460. In each fiscal year, the department shall pay each political subdivision the
9 amount determined under this subsection for that political subdivision from the
10 appropriation under s. 20.455 (2) (am), ~~subject to the limitations under s. 20.455 (2)~~
11 ~~(am)~~.

12 (END)