

State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



DOA:.....Skwarczek, BB0002 - FoodShare benefits for qualified aliens

FOR 2011-13 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Under current law, DHS provides benefits under the food stamp program to qualified aliens, unless such benefits are restored by the federal government. Under federal law, a state may, but is not required to, provide food stamp benefits to qualified aliens, and any state that does provide such benefits must pay the whole cost itself. This bill eliminates the provision of FoodShare benefits to qualified aliens, except to the extent that it is required under federal law.

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:

SECTION 1. 49.79 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.79 (8) BENEFITS FOR QUALIFIED ALIENS. The department shall <u>not</u> provide benefits under this section to a qualified alien who is ineligible for benefits under this

section solely because of the application of 9 USC 1612 or 1613 according to a plan approved by the federal department of agriculture. This subsection does not apply, except to the extent that federal food stamp benefits for qualified aliens are restored required by the federal government.

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