



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 45
[2009 Senate Bill 257]

Emergency Assistance Grants

Under current law, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) provides emergency assistance to needy persons in cases of fire, flood, natural disaster, homelessness, or impending homelessness or energy crisis. Under prior law, DCF was required to establish the maximum amount of aid to be granted per family member except for cases of energy crisis.

2009 Wisconsin Act 45 provides that DCF must establish the maximum amounts of aid to be granted, including in cases of energy crisis, rather than the maximum amount to be granted for each family member. As under current law, DCF must publish the maximum amounts in the Wisconsin Administrative Register if DCF does not establish the maximum amounts by rule.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.