
Wisconsin Legislative Council

AMENDMENT MEMO



Memo published: October 16, 2023

Contact: Ethan Lauer, Senior Staff Attorney

2023 Assembly Bill 394

Assembly Amendment 1 and Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1

2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 394

2023 Assembly Bill 394 directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to establish and administer a driver education grant program. Under the program, DOT may provide grants either to a provider of a driver education course or to an individual enrolled in or seeking to be enrolled in a driver education course.

A grant to a provider may not exceed the cost to the provider of providing driver education to persons under 20 years of age enrolled in the provider's course.

A grant to an individual may not exceed the cost of the course in which the individual is enrolled or seeking to be enrolled. To be eligible, the individual must satisfy the income eligibility criteria for a free or reduced-price lunch in the federal school lunch program.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 removes provisions allowing an individual to be eligible for a grant. Under the amendment, DOT may provide a grant only to a provider and solely for the purpose of funding a course for a specified individual. The individual does not have to satisfy income eligibility criteria.

Also under the amendment, DOT may provide a grant solely for a course designed to result in an individual obtaining an initial operator's license for the operation of only "Class D" motor vehicles. A grant may not exceed the cost that would have been incurred by the individual in taking the course.

Finally, the amendment authorizes DOT to promulgate rules necessary to implement the grant program.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 TO ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Under Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1, the individual for whom a course is provided must satisfy the income eligibility criteria for a free or reduced-price lunch in the federal school lunch program.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Donovan offered Assembly Amendment 1 on October 9, 2023, and offered Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1 on October 10, 2023. On October 11, 2023, the Assembly Committee on State Affairs recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly

Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0, and adoption of Assembly Amendment 1, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 1. The committee then recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

EL:jal