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2015 SENATE BILL 688

February 1, 2016 – Introduced by Senators Vinehout, Carpenter, Miller, Lassa and C. Larson, cosponsored by Representatives Bowen, Brostoff, Shankland, Goyke, Johnson, Milroy, Genrich, Kahl, Sargent, Kolste, Spreitzer, Berceau, Subeck, Sinicki, Kessler, Riemer, Quinn, Ohnstad, Zamarripa, Wachs, Doyle, Barnes, Pope, Considine, Hebl, Young, Mason, C. Taylor, Zepnick, Hesselbein and Danou. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

- AN ACT to amend 16.27 (5) (e) of the statutes; relating to: eligibility for certain
- 2 low-income energy assistance.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Administration administers a federally funded program for providing heating assistance to low-income households. Current law provides that certain low-income households are eligible for a heating assistance benefit under that program in an amount of not more than \$1. This bill provides that those households are eligible for such a heating assistance benefit in an amount equal to \$21.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 16.27 (5) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 16.27 (5) (e) A household that is not eligible under par. (c) that includes at least
- 5 one person who is eligible for food stamps under 7 USC 2011 to 2036, excluding any
- 6 household in an institution, as defined by the department of health services by rule.

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- Notwithstanding sub. (6), a household under this paragraph shall be eligible for a
- 2 heating assistance benefit of not more than \$1 equal to \$21.
- 3 (END)