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## 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 12

February 8, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives ROHRKASTE, GUNDRUM, KULP and RAMTHUN, cosponsored by Senators FEYEN, DARLING and WANGGAARD. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.192 (1) (c) and 238.137 of the statutes; **relating to:** new  
2           internship grants and making an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under this bill, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and the office of economic development within the office of university relations of the University of Wisconsin System must jointly administer a program to award grants to businesses operating in this state for legal, human resources, and staff training expenses related to beginning an internship program after the bill's effective date. The bill provides that a business is not eligible for a grant unless it plans to hire at least three paid interns in the state during the three-year period following receipt of a grant.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3           **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
4           the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

**ASSEMBLY BILL 12****SECTION 1****2019-20****2020-21****1 20.192 Wisconsin Economic Development****2 Corporation****3 (1) PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

<b>4 (c) New internship grants</b>	<b>GPR</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>500,000</b>	<b>500,000</b>
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**5 SECTION 2. 20.192 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:**

**6 20.192 (1) (c) *New internship grants.*** The amounts in the schedule for grants  
**7** under s. 238.137.

**8 SECTION 3. 238.137 of the statutes is created to read:**

**9 238.137 *New internship grants.* (1)** In this section, “office” means the office  
**10** of economic development within the office of university relations of the University  
**11** of Wisconsin System.

**12 (2)** The corporation and office shall jointly administer a program to award  
**13** grants from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (c) to businesses operating in this  
**14** state that begin internship programs after the effective date of this subsection ....  
**15** [LRB inserts date]. A business is not eligible for a grant under this subsection unless  
**16** the business plans to hire at least 3 paid interns in this state during the 3-year period  
**17** following receipt of a grant. A business may use a grant under this subsection only  
**18** for legal, human resources, and staff training expenses related to beginning an  
**19** internship program.

**20 SECTION 4. Effective date.**

**21 (1)** This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after  
**22** publication of the 2019 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

**23****(END)**