



State of Wisconsin  
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

LRB-4963/P2  
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**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.455 (2) (cm) and 165.984 of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             creating a law enforcement agency drug crime response grant program and  
3             making an appropriation.

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

This bill creates a grant program for Wisconsin law enforcement agencies to obtain funds to respond to drug crimes. Under the bill, any Wisconsin law enforcement agency may apply for a grant to fund law enforcement response to drug trafficking and drug use. To fund this grant program, the bill creates a general purpose revenue appropriation of \$1,000,000 in the 2017-19 biennium.

For further information see the ***state and local*** 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:***

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

|  | <b>2017-18</b> | <b>2018-19</b> |
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1     **20.455 Justice, department of**

2     (2)    LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

3     (cm)   Law enforcement agency drug

4            crime response grants                    GPR     B            -0-     1,000,000

5            **SECTION 2.** 20.455 (2) (cm) of the statutes is created to read:

6            20.455 (2) (cm)   *Law enforcement agency drug crime response grants.*

7            Biennially, the amounts in the schedule to provide grants for Wisconsin law  
8            enforcement agency drug crime response under s. 165.984.

9            **SECTION 3.** 165.984 of the statutes is created to read:

10           **165.984 Law enforcement drug crime response grants.** (1) In this  
11            section, “Wisconsin law enforcement agency” means a governmental unit of one or  
12            more persons employed full time by this state or a political subdivision of this state  
13            for the purpose of preventing and detecting crime and enforcing state laws or local  
14            ordinances, employees of which unit are authorized to make arrests for crimes while  
15            acting within the scope of their authority.

16            (2) The department of justice shall establish policies and procedures for the  
17            distribution of grants from the appropriation under s. 20.455 (2) (cm) to Wisconsin  
18            law enforcement agencies to fund law enforcement response to drug trafficking and  
19            drug use. Notwithstanding s. 227.10 (1), the department need not promulgate the  
20            required policies and procedures as rules under ch. 227.

21            (3) A Wisconsin law enforcement agency may apply to the department of justice  
22            for a grant under this section and shall include a proposed plan of expenditure of the  
23            grant money. If the proposed plan of expenditure will result in the agency incurring  
24            an ongoing expense that will continue after all grant funds have been spent, the plan

1 shall include a description of how that expense will be met when there are no  
2 remaining grant funds.

3 (4) The department of justice shall review each application and plan and may  
4 provide grants to an eligible Wisconsin law enforcement agency of not more than  
5 \$50,000 per application and plan and not more than \$100,000 per Wisconsin law  
6 enforcement agency.

7 (5) A Wisconsin law enforcement agency receiving a grant under this section  
8 may use the grant to fund extra training for law enforcement officers, the hiring of  
9 additional officers to investigate drug crimes, or any other purpose that is directly  
10 related to drug crime response.

11 (END)