

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT -- EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Teacher Development Program Grants
[LFB Paper #690]

Motion:

Move to approve Alternative A1, B2, C2, and D1. Require the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to award teacher development program grants. In addition, approve the following:

- a. Expand the eligibility of the teacher development program to include school districts, private schools and charter management organizations.
- b. Delete the requirement, under the bill, that a teacher development program must be designed and implemented with either a school of education in the University of Wisconsin System or a flexible option program in the University of Wisconsin Extension.
- c. Require that a teacher development program be designed and implemented in partnership with an "educator preparation program" approved by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI), and headquartered in Wisconsin.
- d. Permit teacher development programs to allow individuals that do not have a bachelor's degree to enter a teacher development program. Under the motion, an individual would still be required to have a bachelor's degree to obtain a professional teaching permit (s.118.192) or an initial teaching license (s.118.19) from DPI, as required under current law.

Note:

Under the bill, school districts would be eligible to receive a grant from DWD's workforce training grants appropriation that have partnered with one of the following entities to design and implement a teacher development program: (a) a school of education in the University of Wisconsin System; or (b) the flexible option program in the University of Wisconsin System Extension.

Under the motion, school districts, private schools and charter management organizations would be eligible to receive teacher development program grants and could partner with any educator preparation program approved by DPI, and headquartered in Wisconsin. Under current law, DPI approves educator preparation programs offered by public and private Wisconsin colleges and universities, and alternative route programs that lead to licensure.

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