

State of Wisconsin



2023 Senate Bill 707

Date of enactment: **March 22, 2024**

Date of publication*: **March 23, 2024**

2023 WISCONSIN ACT 191

AN ACT *to create* 49.168 of the statutes; **relating to:** national reading program grants.

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

SECTION 1. 49.168 of the statutes is created to read:

49.168 National reading program grants. (1) In this section, "national reading program" means a national program that has been in existence since at least 2003 and that mails age-appropriate books to children from birth to age 5 at no cost and regardless of their family income.

(2) The department shall establish a program to

award grants, from the appropriation under s. 20.437 (1) (em), to nonprofit organizations for the provision of books to young children. A nonprofit organization is eligible for a grant under this section as reimbursement for up to 50 percent of the costs it incurs in purchasing books in partnership with a national reading program to provide age-appropriate books to children from birth to age 5 at no cost and regardless of their family income. A single grant under this section may not exceed \$10,000.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."