



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Lessner, BB0248 - 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Support

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline grants

This bill requires DHS to award grants to organizations that provide crisis intervention services and crisis care coordination to individuals who contact the national 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline from anywhere within the state. Currently, DHS partners with Wisconsin Lifeline to provide statewide 988 crisis hotline services.

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

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

SECTION 1. 20.435 (5) (ch) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (5) (ch) *Suicide and crisis lifeline grants.* The amounts in the schedule for grants under s. 46.533.

****NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 46.533 of the statutes is created to read:

46.533 Suicide and crisis lifeline; grants. (1) In this section, “national crisis hotline” means the telephone or text access number “988,” or its successor, that is maintained under the federally administered program under [42 USC 290bb-36c](#).

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SECTION 2

(2) From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (5) (ch), the department shall award grants to organizations that provide crisis intervention services and crisis care coordination to individuals who contact the national crisis hotline from anywhere within this state.

(END)