



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 249

May 8, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives TITTL, CONLEY, C. ANDERSON, BALDEH, BEHNKE, BRANDTJEN, EMERSON, JOERS, MURSAU, OHNSTAD, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, SCHMIDT, STUBBS, SUBECK and WICHGERS, cosponsored by Senators JACQUE and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care.

AN ACT *to amend* 49.148 (1m) (title) and 49.148 (1m) (a) 2. of the statutes;

relating to: expanding Wisconsin Works eligibility for at-risk pregnancy.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who is not a custodial parent of a dependent child may be eligible for Wisconsin Works benefits if the person is an unmarried woman who meets the other eligibility criteria and is in the third trimester of a pregnancy that is medically verified and is shown by medical documentation to be at risk and to render the woman unable to participate in the workforce.

This bill extends the criteria for these benefits to any woman who is already the custodial parent of a dependent child and who is in any stage of a medically verified and documented at-risk pregnancy.

For further information see the state and local 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. 49.148 (1m) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

ASSEMBLY BILL 249**SECTION 1**

49.148 (1m) (title) CUSTODIAL PARENT OF INFANT; ~~UNMARRIED~~, PREGNANT WOMAN.

SECTION 2. 49.148 (1m) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.148 (1m) (a) 2. ~~An unmarried~~ A woman who meets the eligibility requirements under s. 49.145 (2) and (3) or who would be eligible under s. 49.145 except that she is not a custodial parent of a dependent child and who is in ~~the 3rd trimester of~~ a pregnancy that is medically verified and that is shown by medical documentation to be at risk and to render the woman unable to participate in the workforce.

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