



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 20.445 (1) (b) and 47.07 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** use  
2             of funds allocated to Project SEARCH and making an appropriation (suggested  
3             as remedial legislation by the Department of Workforce Development).

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

Under current law, the Department of Workforce Development must allocate in each fiscal year at least \$250,000 from a certain annual appropriation funded by general purpose revenue for the costs associated with contracts entered into under the Project SEARCH program. This bill permits DWD to allocate those funds to costs associated with contracts entered into under the Project SEARCH program, the costs associated with providing vocational rehabilitation services to the program's consumers, and the costs associated with the purchase of goods and services associated with the program.

For further information, see the NOTES provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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

4             **SECTION 1.** 20.445 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             20.445 (1) (b) *Workforce training; programs, grants, services, and contracts.*  
6             The amounts in the schedule for the workforce training programs, grants, and

1 services under s. 106.27 (1), (1g), (1j), (1r), and (1u) and for the costs associated with  
2 vocational rehabilitation services to consumers, the purchase of goods and services,  
3 and contracts entered into under s. 47.07.

4 **SECTION 2.** 47.07 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 47.07 (1) The department shall allocate for each fiscal year at least \$250,000  
6 from the appropriation under s. 20.445 (1) (b) for the Project SEARCH program,  
7 including vocational rehabilitation services to consumers, the purchase of goods and  
8 services, and contracts entered into under this section.

NOTE: SECTIONS 1 and 2 allow the Department of Workforce Development to use funding that is appropriated for contracted services in administering the Project SEARCH program for noncontracted, vocational rehabilitation services for the program's consumers.

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