



## 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 144

March 25, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives KURTZ, STEINEKE, RODRIGUEZ, SNYDER, PRONSCHINSKE, PLUMER, DITTRICH, JAMES, NYGREN, ROHRKASTE, FELZKOWSKI, TITTL, MURSAU, SPIROS, STEFFEN, ALLEN, DUCHOW, KULP, PETRYK, PETERSEN, THIESFELDT, KITCHENS, SCHRAA, KRUG, MURPHY, HORLACHER, TUSLER and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators DARLING, FEYEN and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** skills enhancement grants and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill increases funding for skills enhancement programs by \$250,000 per fiscal year in fiscal years 2019-20 and 2020-21. Under current law, the Department of Children and Families provides \$250,000 in each fiscal year to community action agencies to provide skills enhancement programs for individuals who work at least 20 hours per week and whose income is at or below 150 percent of the federal poverty line. The services currently provided under these programs include access to transportation, child care, career counseling, job placement assistance, and financial support for education and training.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Fiscal changes.**

3 (1) COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY GRANTS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for  
4 the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (2) (fr),  
5 the dollar amount for fiscal year 2019-20 is increased by \$250,000 to provide skills  
6 enhancement grants under s. 49.265 (4) (cm). In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for

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2 the dollar amount for fiscal year 2020-21 is increased by \$250,000 to provide skills  
3 enhancement grants under s. 49.265 (4) (cm).

4 **SECTION 2. Effective date.**

5 (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2019, or the day after the publication of the  
6 2019 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

7 (END)