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State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

LRB-2704/P3 EAW:amn

PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 AN ACT to create 20.455 (2) (d) and 165.985 of the statutes; relating to: creating

an officer mental health support grant program and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Justice to award a \$250,000 grant to fund a program that provides mental health support services to law enforcement agencies and officers statewide. Under the bill, the grant must fund a program that provides 1) assistance to law enforcement agencies to develop and implement policies to support law enforcement officers who are involved in a shooting or an incident involving the use of deadly force; 2) training for law enforcement officers and their immediate family members on the symptoms of job-related mental trauma; or 3) peer support programs for law enforcement officers.

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:

- 3 Section 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert
- 4 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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1	20.455 Justice, department of
2	(2) Law enforcement services
3	(d) Officer mental health support
4	grant program GPR A \$250,000 \$250,000
5	Section 2. 20.455 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:
6	20.455 (2) (d) Officer mental health support grant program. The amounts in
7	the schedule for the officer mental health support grant program under s. 165.985
8	Section 3. 165.985 of the statutes is created to read:
9	165.985 Officer mental health support grant program. (1) From the
10	appropriation under s. $20.455\ (2)\ (d)$, the department of justice shall annually award
11	a \$250,000 grant to an agency to provide mental health support services for law
12	enforcement officers on a statewide basis.
13	(2) The grant under this section shall be awarded on a competitive
14	request-for-proposals process to a law enforcement agency; a public safety agency
15	a behavioral health provider; a county department of health, social services, or
16	human services; a community-based social services agency; or a behavioral health
17	provider in partnership with a law enforcement agency. In awarding the grant, the
18	department shall consider the cost-effectiveness of the agency's proposal.
19	(3) The program funded under this section shall provide one or more of the
20	following services statewide to law enforcement agencies and officers:
21	(a) Assistance for law enforcement agencies to develop and implement policies

to support law enforcement officers who are involved in a shooting or a fatal use of

(END)
the 2021 biennial budget act, whichever is later.
(1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2021, or on the day after the publication of
SECTION 4. Effective date.
(c) Peer support programs for law enforcement officers.
how to prevent and treat such trauma.
their immediate family members the symptoms of job-related mental trauma and
(b) Training and education programs that teach law enforcement officers and