

RESOLUTION NO.: 22—2017-18

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

MAJORITY

1 Current law permits the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to set minimum
2 age requirements for hazardous employment of minors. Under that authority, DWD has,
3 by rule, prohibited minors 14 and 15 years of age from being employed as lifeguards.
4 Legislation has been proposed requiring DWD to permit minors 15 years of age or older
5 to be employed as lifeguards.
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7 NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Property, Airport, Recreation and
8 Economic Development Committee recommend adoption of the following resolution.

9 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors supports legislation
10 requiring the Department of Workforce Development to permit minors 15 years of age or older to be
11 employed as lifeguards, and

12 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy
13 of this resolution to the Outagamie County Executive, the Outagamie County Parks Department
14 Director, and the Outagamie County Lobbyist for distribution to Governor Walker, the Legislature, and
15 Wisconsin Counties Association.

16 Dated this ____ day of June 2017

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Respectfully Submitted,

PROPERTY, AIRPORT, RECREATION &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Duly and officially adopted by the County Board on: _____

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Signed: _____
Board Chairperson County Clerk

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Approved: _____ Vetoed: _____

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Signed: _____
County Executive

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2017 BILL

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 103.66 (1); and **to create** 103.66 (1) (b) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** employment of minors as lifeguards.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law permits the Department of Workforce Development to set minimum ages for hazardous employment for minors. Under that authority, DWD has, by rule, prohibited minors 14 and 15 years of age from being employed as lifeguards. This bill requires DWD to permit minors 15 years of age or older to be employed as lifeguards.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 103.66 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 103.66 (1) (intro.) and
4 amended to read:

5 103.66 (1) (intro.) The department may investigate, determine and fix
6 reasonable classifications of employments, places of employment and minimum ages
7 for hazardous employment for minors, and may issue general or special orders
8 prohibiting the employment of minors in employments or places of employment

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SECTION 1

1 prejudicial to the life, health, safety or welfare of minors, and may carry out the
2 purposes of ss. 103.64 to 103.82. In fixing minimum ages for hazardous employment
3 for minors under this subsection, the department shall ~~permit~~ do all of the following:

4 (a) Permit the employment of a minor 14 years of age or over as a laboratory
5 assistant for a nonprofit, community-based organization that provides educational
6 opportunities in medically related fields if the minor is under the direct supervision
7 of a mentor and the laboratory at which the minor is employed complies with 10 CFR
8 20.1207 and 29 CFR 1910.1030.

9 **SECTION 2.** 103.66 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

10 103.66 (1) (b) Permit the employment of a minor 15 years of age or over as a
11 lifeguard. The department shall require a minor to have successfully completed a
12 bona fide life saving course in order to be employed as a lifeguard.

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