

**SEVERING THE WELFARE CONNECTION
IN WISCONSIN**

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CHILD CARE IN W-2

Conditioned on income, not welfare status

Initial Eligibility: 165% of poverty

Continuing while income is below 200% of poverty

Reimbursement:

Local cost of state-licensed care

75th percentile of local distribution

Statewide average: \$4,800

Certified care reimbursed at 70% of licensed care

CHILDREN RECEIVING CARE

190,000 eligible (under age 12)

56,000 expected to receive assistance

19,000 actually receiving care

COST

\$180 million budgeted

\$ 80 million now projected for 1998