

Assembly passes package addressing homelessness

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The Assembly today approved a package of measures stemming from recommendations made last session by the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

But the proposed funding for the measures, which comes out to roughly \$3.8 million, can only be released at the discretion of the Joint Finance Committee.

Assembly Majority Leader Jim Stieneke, R-Kaukauna, told reporters earlier today he was confident that the final version of the state budget would provide the necessary funding.

They include:

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*ABs 119, 120, 123, 124 and 125 which allows the state's budget panel to pump more money into a number of programs to address homelessness.

*AB 121, which provides grants for housing navigators who help remove obstacles between landlords and those seeking affordable housing.

*AB 122, which directs state and local job boards to specifically target the homeless and ensure job training is available for that population.