

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

K-12 Provisions

Motion:

Move to:

a. *Children-at-Risk Programs.* Restore current law statutory language authorizing children-at-risk programs. Retain the current law definition of a "child-at-risk" and "dropout." Also retain current law definitions of "alternative school" and "school within a school." Require every school board to identify children-at-risk enrolled in the district and annually develop a plan describing how the school board will meet their needs. Retain the current law requirement that each school board must identify appropriate private, nonprofit, nonsectarian agencies located in the district, or within five miles of the boundaries, to meet the requirements for children-at-risk programs. Specify that the school board may contract with these agencies for the children-at-risk enrolled in the district if the board determines that the agencies can adequately serve such children.

b. *Alternative Education.* Restore current law statutory language for alternative education programs, without restoring funding.

c. *Restore Supplemental Aid.* Provide \$100,000 GPR annually and restore the supplemental aid program. A school district is eligible if it satisfies all of the following: (a) the school district had an enrollment of less than 500 pupils in the prior year; (b) the school district is at least 200 square miles in area; and (c) at least 80% of the real property in the district exempt from property taxation, taxed as forest croplands, owned or held in trust by a federally recognized American Indian tribe, or owned by the federal government. Aid is equal to \$350 per pupil, and one school district, Laona, receives funding under the program.

d. *Gifted and Talented Grant Program.* Modify the gifted and talented education grant program to allow all University of Wisconsin institutions to receive grants.

e. *Revenue Limit Adjustment for Energy Efficiency Measures.* Modify the revenue limit adjustment for energy efficiency measures to: (a) specify that the adjustment is equal to the amount spent on a project to implement energy efficiency or for the purchase of energy efficiency products, including the payment of debt service on any bonds or notes issued to finance that project; (b) modify the current law requirement that the project will result in the avoidance of, or reduction in, energy costs to include either energy costs or operational costs; (c) add a requirement that the project be undertaken pursuant to the provisions of municipal law governing energy savings

performance contracting; (d) add a requirement that the payment of debt service on any bonds or notes issued to finance a project not exceed twenty years; and (e) delete the current law requirement that DPI promulgate rules to implement the adjustment.

f. *Revenue Limit Adjustment for Refunded or Rescinded Taxes.* Create a nonrecurring revenue limit adjustment for school districts equal to the amount of any refunded or rescinded taxes, provided that the Department of Revenue has determined that the equalized value of the school district is changed as a result of consideration of the valuation represented by the refunded or rescinded taxes under current law provisions [s. 74.41].

g. *Racine Charter School Aid Payment.* Restore the current school district aid payment to Racine Unified, and corresponding general school aids reduction, associated with the Milwaukee/Racine Charter school program but limit the payment to \$1,000,000 in 2011-12, \$750,000 in 2012-13 and eliminate the aid payment beginning in 2013-14.

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[Change to Bill: \$1,950,000 GPR and \$1,750,000 GPR-Lapse]