

# a **CLOSER** **LOOK**

## at the *2015-17 State Budget*

### **Tech Colleges**

- Continues the phase-in of performance based funding, which will be 20% in FY15-16 and 30% in FY 16-17, but it will now revert to 0% thereafter
- Adds additional criteria to performance based funding formula based on policies that award credit for relevant educational experience or training not obtained through an institution of higher learning
- Removes tuition freeze in high demand fields from the Governor's recommendation
- Redefines the term "employer" under the Milwaukee Technical College Board by specifying a member representing employers must:
  - Have at least two years' experience managing a business entity, nonprofit organization, credit union, or cooperative association with at least 15 employees, or
  - Have at least two years of experience managing the finance or the hiring of personnel of a business, nonprofit, credit union, or cooperative with at least 100 employees
- Prohibits technical colleges from charging accident insurance coverage fees to students who:
  - Request the fee to be waived and
  - The student provides evidence of an existing policy providing equivalent accident insurance coverage
- Allows home schooled students under the age of 16 the ability to attend tech college classes during the hours of a normal school day
- Removes all proposed changes to the Educational Approval Board to retain current law