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## 2023 SENATE BILL 125

March 8, 2023 - Introduced by Senators WANGGAARD and CABRAL-GUEVARA, cosponsored by Representatives MURPHY, GOEBEN, BEHNKE, BRANDTJEN, DONOVAN, EDMING, GREEN, GUNDRUM, MICHALSKI, PRONSCHINSKE and RETTINGER. Referred to Committee on Education.

- 1     **AN ACT to create** 115.28 (66), 118.40 (2r) (b) 2. m., 118.40 (2x) (b) 2. m. and 121.02  
2             (1) (L) 9. of the statutes; **relating to:** model curriculum for pupils in grades 5  
3             to 12 on interacting with law enforcement and granting rule-making authority.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill requires the state superintendent of public instruction, in consultation with organizations representing law enforcement, to promulgate rules to develop a model curriculum for pupils in grades 5 to 12 to instruct pupils on how to interact with law enforcement with mutual cooperation and respect.

The bill requires a school board or operator of an independent charter school to include in at least two grades from 5 to 8 and at least two grades from 9 to 12 instruction in law enforcement interactions that is consistent with the model curriculum, unless the school board or governing board of the independent charter school opts out of including such instruction. The bill specifies that a school board that elects not to include such instruction must adopt a resolution making that election.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**SENATE BILL 125****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 115.28 (66) of the statutes is created to read:

2           115.28 **(66)** POLICE INTERACTIONS EDUCATION. Promulgate rules to develop a  
3 model curriculum for pupils in grades 5 to 12 to instruct pupils on how to interact  
4 with law enforcement with mutual cooperation and respect. The state  
5 superintendent shall consult with organizations representing law enforcement and  
6 shall ensure that the model curriculum includes instruction on all of the following:

7           (a) The role and responsibilities of law enforcement officials in providing for  
8 public safety.

9           (b) The responsibilities of an individual to comply with directives from law  
10 enforcement officials.

11           (c) The legal rights of an individual in interactions with law enforcement  
12 officials.

13           **SECTION 2.** 118.40 (2r) (b) 2. m. of the statutes is created to read:

14           118.40 **(2r)** (b) 2. m. If the contract is for the operation of a charter school that  
15 includes a grade from 5 to 12, a requirement that the charter school's curriculum  
16 include the instruction required under s. 121.02 (1) (L) 9., so far as applicable, unless  
17 the charter school governing board elects not to include the instruction.

18           **SECTION 3.** 118.40 (2x) (b) 2. m. of the statutes is created to read:

19           118.40 **(2x)** (b) 2. m. If the contract is for the operation of a charter school that  
20 includes a grade from 5 to 12, a requirement that the charter school's curriculum  
21 include the instruction required under s. 121.02 (1) (L) 9., so far as applicable, unless  
22 the charter school governing board elects not to include the instruction.

23           **SECTION 4.** 121.02 (1) (L) 9. of the statutes is created to read:

24           121.02 **(1)** (L) 9. a. Except as provided in subd. 9. b., include instruction on  
25 interacting with law enforcement that is consistent with the model curriculum

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1 developed under s. 115.28 (66) in at least 2 grades from 5 to 8 and in at least 2 grades  
2 from 9 to 12.

3 b. If the school board elects not to include instruction as provided under subd.  
4 9. a., adopt a resolution making that election. Any election by a school board under  
5 this subd. 9. b. requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the full membership of  
6 the school board.

7 **SECTION 5. Initial applicability.**

8 (1) SCHOOL BOARDS. The treatment of s. 121.02 (1) (L) 9. first applies to  
9 curriculum for the 2025-26 school year.

10 (2) INDEPENDENT CHARTER SCHOOLS. The treatment of s. 118.40 (2r) (b) 2. m. and  
11 (2x) (b) 2. m. first applies to a contract that is entered into, renewed, or modified on  
12 the effective date of this subsection.

13 (END)