



## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 595

August 5, 2005 - Introduced by Representatives WOOD, KREIBICH, BIES, BALLWEG, FIELDS, GRONEMUS, GUNDERSON, HAHN, HINES, HUEBSCH, LOTHIAN, MCCORMICK, MOULTON, MUSSER, NISCHKE, OWENS, PETTIS, PRIDEMORE, TOWNSEND and VOS, cosponsored by Senators BROWN, STEPP, ZIEN, DARLING, GROTHMAN, A. LASEE and REYNOLDS. Referred to Committee on Colleges and Universities.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 36.31 (1); and *to create* 36.31 (1) (a) and 38.04 (4) (f) of the  
2             statutes; **relating to:** the approval of collegiate transfer programs in certain  
3             technical college districts.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Current law authorizes the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board to designate and approve any collegiate transfer program offered by a technical college district. A collegiate transfer program is a full-time program in which the credits earned may be transferable to a four-year institution of higher education. A collegiate transfer program is currently available only at Madison Area Technical College, Milwaukee Area Technical College, and Nicolet Area Technical College.

This bill directs the WTCS Board to approve a liberal arts collegiate transfer program in any technical college district in which there is not located a University of Wisconsin two-year collegiate campus. The bill also exempts the approval of these programs from the prohibition on broadening the technical college system's collegiate transfer program offerings beyond those in existence in the 1972-73 academic year.

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:***

