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Moved by Senator Olsen, seconded by Senator Hansen that **Senate Bill 250** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (7) Senators Lehman, Jauch, Erpenbach, Hansen,
Olsen, Grothman and Hopper.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Dauscher', written over a horizontal line.

Sara Dauscher
Committee Clerk

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February 17, 2010

Senator John Lehman
310 South, State Capitol
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Senator John Lehman,

Good morning,

I am extremely sorry that I cannot attend the Education Committee Hearing on Friday, February 18, regarding SB-250 (Open Enrollment). We are very concerned about future considerations for accepting Open Enrollment students into our school.

Currently we have an enrollment of 860 students and we do accept almost every application request for Open Enrollment. This current school year we have 150 Open Enrollment students coming in and 22 Open Enrollment students going out for a net gain of 128 students. As we reach our capacity of 950-1000 students we will have to limit the number of Open Enrollment students accepted each year. Being a Union High School we cannot, under current state regulations, give preference to those students that have been attending one of our four feeder schools (Union Grove Elementary Jt. 1, Yorkville Jt. 2, Raymond Jt. 14, and Dover #1 (Kansasville School) under Open Enrollment. We feel that students attending one of our feeder schools should be given preference after siblings and should not have to be tossed into a "random draw" because of limited seats.

Please support this request as SB-250 moves through the hearing process.

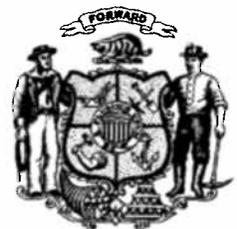
Sincerely,



Alan J. Mollerskov
District Administrator
Union Grove Union High School



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





SANDY PASCH
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Senate Bill 250
Testimony of Representative Sandy Pasch
Senate Committee on Education
February 18, 2010

Mr. Chairman and committee members, thank you for allowing me to testify in support of Senate Bill 250 this morning.

As Senator Darling has mentioned, we have proposed this legislation at the request of the K-8 Fox Point-Bayside School District. Although K-8 School Districts—such as Fox Point-Bayside—collaborate very closely with their Union High School Districts on curriculum and various services, current law treats them as if they are not affiliated with one another. Further, many students form close friendships with other students while attending K-8 schools and understandably would like to remain in a class setting with them once they reach high school.

While Open Enrollment students in K-12 Districts are given preferential treatment for Open Enrollment seats available in the high school within their District, K-8 students are not afforded the same opportunity. Therefore, this proposal would simply allows Open Enrollment students from K-8 Districts equal preference to enter the UHS School District if the UHS School District determines that there are Open Enrollment seats available. As Senator Darling mentioned, an open enrollment student who graduates from Bayside Middle School should not have to compete with students from other districts to enter Nicolet UHS. This is a small, yet commonsense, change that simply brings fairness to students and families within K-8 Districts.

Mr. Chairman and committee members, thank you once again for allowing me to testify on this proposal in front of you today. As the lead Assembly sponsor, I appreciate your consideration of this simple change.



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Alberta Darling
Wisconsin State Senator
Member, Joint Committee on Finance

Date?

Thank you Chairman Lehman and Members of the Senate Committee on Education for allowing me to testify in favor of Senate Bill 250.

I have introduced this bill at the request of the K-8 Fox Point-Bayside School District. Under our current Open Enrollment laws, K-8 School Districts and Union High School Districts are treated as though they have no affiliation with each other. Resident and Chapter 220 students who graduate from Bayside Middle School, for instance, are given the choice to enroll at Nicolet UHS. In the case of Open Enrollment students who graduate from Bayside Middle School's eighth grade, they must apply for limited Open Enrollment seats at Nicolet UHS and compete with students from neighboring K-12 districts.

In a K-12 District, students participating in the Open Enrollment program at the end of their eighth grade year are given preferential treatment for available Open Enrollment seats at the high school within the District they are attending. The same should be true for K-8 students.

K-8 School Districts work very closely with their Union High School District on curriculum, shared services and coordinated ventures. K-8 District students participate with their peers in a curricular program that is designed to prepare them for their next step in their academic career, which for most students is the Union High School. In addition, students develop close peer relationships during their years in K-8 schools which they want to carry with them as they move into their high school setting.

SB 250 would modify current law to give Open Enrollment students from K-8 Districts status in their affiliated UHS School District as if they were an applicant who is already attending school within that affiliated UHS School District. This would give Open Enrollment students from K-8 Districts preference to enter the UHS School District if the UHS School District determines that there are Open Enrollment seats available.

SB 250 is a simple, commonsense reform that fixes a glitch in our statutes.

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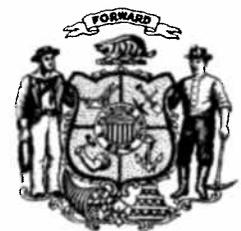
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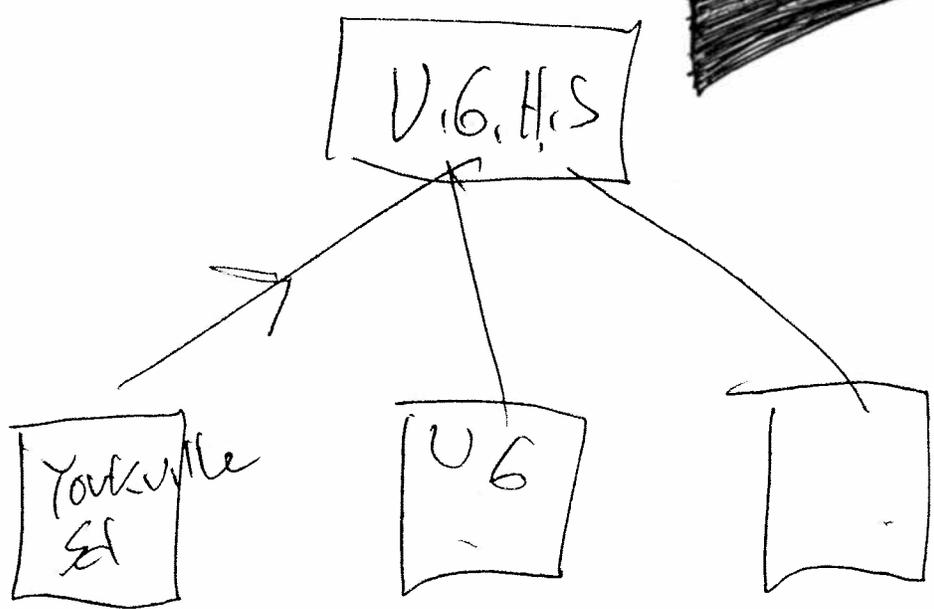
Letter

Al Mollenkov
Union Grove H.S.

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KIDS at high school who
have been open enrolled in
elementary feeders

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