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**SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2005 SENATE BILL 628**

March 3, 2006 – Offered by Senator OLSEN.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 118.19 (1), 118.40 (2r) (d) 1., 118.40 (4) (b) 1. and 121.02 (1) (a)
2 2.; and **to create** 115.001 (16) of the statutes; **relating to:** licensure of teachers
3 in virtual charter schools.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 115.001 (16) of the statutes is created to read:
5 115.001 (16) VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL. “Virtual charter school” means a charter
6 school in which instruction is provided primarily through means of the Internet, and
7 the pupils enrolled in and instructional staff employed by the charter school are
8 geographically remote from each other.

9 **SECTION 2.** 118.19 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
10 118.19 (1) Any person seeking to teach in a public school, including a charter
11 school, or in a school or institution operated by a county or the state shall first procure

1 a license or permit from the department. For the purposes of this subsection, in a
2 virtual charter school “teaching” means assigning grades or credits to pupils.

3 **SECTION 3.** 118.40 (2r) (d) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

4 118.40 (2r) (d) 1. Ensure that all instructional staff of charter schools under
5 this subsection hold a license or permit to teach issued by the department. For the
6 purposes of this subsection, in a virtual charter school “instructional staff” means the
7 employees who assign grades or credits to pupils.

8 **SECTION 4.** 118.40 (4) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

9 118.40 (4) (b) 1. Charge tuition except for pupils who are not residents of this
10 state, as provided under s. 121.77 (1) (b).

11 **SECTION 5.** 121.02 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

12 121.02 (1) (a) 2. Ensure that all instructional staff of charter schools located
13 in the school district hold a license or permit to teach issued by the department. The
14 state superintendent shall promulgate rules defining “instructional staff” for
15 purposes of this subdivision, except that in a virtual charter school “instructional
16 staff” means the employees who assign grades or credits to pupils.

17 (END)