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1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 160

March 6, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives Harsdorf, Kreibich, Schafer, M. Lehman, Handrick, Ryba, Duff, Ladwig, Freese, Hahn, Olsen, Goetsch, Zukowski, Hutchison, Ward and Gronemus, cosponsored by Senator Clausing. Referred to Committee on Colleges and Universities.

AN ACT to amend 39.47 (2) of the statutes; relating to: the reciprocal fee under
the Minnesota-Wisconsin student reciprocity agreement for Wisconsin
residents enrolled in the University of Minnesota Law School.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, this state has entered into a student reciprocity agreement with the state of Minnesota. For residents of either state attending public postsecondary institutions in the other state, the agreement provides a nonresident tuition waiver for enrollment in vocational schools and a reciprocal fee structure for enrollment in other higher education institutions. The reciprocal fee is the average academic fee that would be charged the student at a comparable higher education institution in his or her state of residence.

This bill allows the agreement to provide a different reciprocal fee for Wisconsin residents first enrolled in the University of Minnesota Law School in the 1996–97 academic year or thereafter. For these students, the reciprocal fee may be the same fee that a Minnesota resident is charged for enrollment in the University of Minnesota Law School, rather than the average academic fee that would be charged at a comparable law school in this state. This different reciprocal fee may be first charged for the 1997–98 academic year.

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

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

Section 1. 39.47 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

39.47 (2) The agreement under this section shall provide for the waiver of nonresident tuition for a resident of either state who is enrolled in a public vocational school located in the other state. The agreement shall also establish a reciprocal fee structure for residents of either state who are enrolled in public institutions of higher education, other than vocational schools, located in the other state. The reciprocal fee shall be the average academic fee that would be charged the student at a comparable public institution of higher education located in his or her state of residence, as specified in the agreement, except that, for a Wisconsin resident first enrolled in the University of Minnesota Law School in the 1996–97 academic year or thereafter, the reciprocal fee may be the fee that is charged a Minnesota resident enrolled in the University of Minnesota Law School. The agreement shall take effect on July 1, 1991. The agreement shall provide for a biennial review of the costs, charges and payments associated with the agreement. The agreement is subject to the approval of the joint committee on finance under s. 39.42.

Section 2. Initial applicability.

(1) MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN STUDENT RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT. This act first applies to reciprocal fees for the 1997–98 academic year.

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