



## 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 347

April 24, 2001 - Introduced by Representatives STASKUNAS, OLSEN, JESKEWITZ, RILEY, LA FAVE, POCAN, LIPPERT, BALOW, BOYLE, SYKORA, WASSERMAN, J. LEHMAN, GRONEMUS, SERATTI, TURNER, OTT, LASSA, BERCEAU, MILLER and PLALE, cosponsored by Senators ROSENZWEIG, GROBSCHMIDT, PLACHE, ROESSLER and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Tax and Spending Limitations.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 121.15 (3m) (a) 1.; and **to create** 121.91 (4) (i) of the statutes;  
2             **relating to:** authorizing a school board to increase the school district's revenue  
3             limit.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law generally limits the increase in the total amount of revenue per pupil that a school district may receive from general school aids and property taxes in a school year to the amount of revenue increase allowed per pupil in the previous school year increased by the percentage change in the consumer price index. Several exceptions are provided. For example, if a school district increases the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a service transferred to it from another governmental unit, its revenue limit is increased by the cost of that service.

This bill provides that a school district's revenue limit is increased by an amount equal to one percent of the statewide average allowable revenue per pupil in the previous school year multiplied by the average number of pupils enrolled in the school district in the current and two preceding school years if the school board adopts a resolution approving the increase by a two-thirds vote. The bill also provides that the additional revenue is not included in the calculation of the amount necessary for the state to fund two-thirds of school costs.

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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:*

1           **SECTION 1.** 121.15 (3m) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

2           121.15 (3m) (a) 1. "Partial school revenues" means the sum of state school aids,  
3 other than the amounts appropriated under s. 20.255 (2) (bi) and (cv), property taxes  
4 levied for school districts and aid paid to school districts under s. 79.095 (4), less the  
5 amount of any revenue limit increase under s. 121.91 (4) (a) 2. due to a school board's  
6 increasing the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a  
7 service transferred to it from another school board, less the amount of any revenue  
8 limit increase under s. 121.91 (4) (a) 3. ~~and~~, less the amount of any revenue limit  
9 increase under s. 121.91 (4) (h), and less the amount of any revenue limit increase  
10 under s. 121.91 (4) (i).

11           **SECTION 2.** 121.91 (4) (i) of the statutes is created to read:

12           121.91 (4) (i) The limit otherwise applicable to a school district under sub. (2m)  
13 is increased by an amount equal to 1% of the statewide average allowable revenue  
14 per pupil in the previous school year multiplied by the average of the number of  
15 pupils enrolled in the school district in the current and the 2 preceding school years  
16 if the school board adopts a resolution approving the increase by a two-thirds vote  
17 of the members elect. The amount of the revenue limit adjustment approved under  
18 this paragraph shall not be included in the base for determining the school district's  
19 revenue limit for the following school year.

20           **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

