



2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 989

January 25, 2024 - Introduced by Representatives PALMERI, SHELTON, SHANKLAND, EMERSON, J. ANDERSON, BALDEH, CLANCY, CONLEY, JOERS, MADISON, NEUBAUER, OHNSTAD, RATCLIFF, SINICKI, STUBBS and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators LARSON, SPREITZER, ROYS and AGARD. Referred to Committee on Colleges and Universities.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** University of Wisconsin System resident undergraduate
2 tuition freeze and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The bill prohibits the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System from charging resident undergraduate academic fees in the 2024-25 academic year that are more than the fees charged in the 2023-24 academic year—this is commonly referred to as a “tuition freeze.” The freeze is funded by increasing the appropriation to the UW System for general program operations by \$38,000,000 in fiscal year 2024-25.

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:

3 **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

4 (1) RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION. Notwithstanding s. 36.27 (1) (a), the
5 Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System may not charge resident
6 undergraduates enrolled in an institution, as defined in s. 36.05 (9), or college

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1 campus, as defined in s. 36.05 (6m), in the 2024-25 academic year more in academic
2 fees than it charged resident undergraduates enrolled in that institution or college
3 campus in the 2023-24 academic year.

4 **SECTION 2. Fiscal changes.**

5 (1) UW SYSTEM; GENERAL PROGRAM OPERATIONS. In the schedule under s. 20.005
6 (3) for the appropriation to the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin
7 System under s. 20.285 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2024-25 is increased
8 by \$38,000,000 to offset the cost of the undergraduate tuition freeze under SECTION
9 1 (1) of this act.

10 (END)