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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION 1997-99 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REQUEST FOR STATUTORY LANGUAGE CHANGE

TITLE: Milwaukee Private School Choice Accountability

DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT LAW AND PROBLEM:

Section **119.23**, Wis. statues., permit parents of (children in low-income families in Milwaukee to elect to send their children to private schools participating in the Millwaukee parental choice program. Private schools which participate in this program are paid an amount equal to Milwaukee's state equalization aid per member for each **errolled** pupil. This amount Is then deducted from Milwaukee's equalization aid.

There Is minimal accountability required of private schools participating in the Milwaukee program. While the absence of regulation is often cited as an advantage to private school choice, it became a problem in the **first.year** of the parental **choice** program when the absence of a formal governance structure or sound fiscal management practices resulted In one school closing its doors mid-year. About 63 students attended the school which was, in the words of the evaluator, **"in** turmoil from the beginning of the **year," and** then were required to transfer to other schools when It **closed**. Sixty-three Milwaukee children experienced a school year which was largely **wasted**. In the **1995-96** school **year**, two more schools closed, displacing 172 students. In the summer prior to the **1996-97** school year, one more school closed where 39 students had enrolled for the upcoming school year.

In November, 1991, the first-year **report** on the Milwaukee parental choice program was published. The report, along with four subsequent **reports** by John F. **Witte**, argued that "very simple regulations requiring a formal governance structure, financial reporting, and further accountability In terms of outcomes would greatly reduce the likelihood that schools would close mid-year..." The report included the following recommendations, some of which address the specific problem of the **closing** of the Juanita Virgil academy, Exito education center, Milwaukee preparatory school, **and** the Waldoff school of Milwaukee:

Governance. All Schools participating in the parental choice program should have a formal governance structure Including a board of directors (school board). The board can be structured by the schools as they see fit, but must Include a specified and formal process for selection and terms of members. It should also Include at least some members who have no proprietary interest in the school. It should also include parents. We also recommend that the school have formal bylaws. The board should have the authority to promulgate and amend the bylaws and **establish** whatever additional governing structure is seen as appropriate. Board meetings should be held in accordance with state open meeting laws.

Added Accountability. Schools should be required to meet all current and future state outcome requirements, Including state wide tests, (dropout reporting, and a school report card when it Is required.

Review Accountability Standards. We recommend that the legislature review the current standards of **accountability as specified in** the statute. At present, schools may meet any one of four standards (attendance, echievenient, grade advancement, or parental involvement). We suggest That The schools meet more than one of these standards. We also suggest flexibility in the standards based on the level of the school . . .

In addition to proposing the Witte recommendations, the department proposes to improve administration of the program by changing payment dates to coincide with equalization aid payments. This will allow **t**'s department sufficient time to audit membership data prior to making payments.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Add provisions that will require increased accountability on the part of private schools participating in the program. Require that each school have a formal governance structure, allow the state superintendent to conduct on-site financial audits at his or her discretion, and require that choice private school pupils be involved in the same state wide pupil assessment activities as public school pupils by requiring that private schools participate in all of the following:
 - * The educational assessment program developed under s. 115.28(10).
 - The pupil assessment examinations required under s. 118.30.
 - The third grade reading test requiired under s. **121.02(1)** (r).

2. Change payment dates to coincide with equalization aid payments and to allow the department sufficient time to audit membership data prior to making payments.

DRAFTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Amends. 115.28 (10) as follows

115.28 (10) Develop an educational assessment program to measure objectively the adequacy and efficiency of educational programs offered by public schools in this state and private schools participating in the Milwaukee parental choice program under s. 119.23. The program shall include methods by which pupil achievement in reading, mathematics, writing science, social science and other areas of instruction commonly offered by public schools will be objectively measured each year. Assessment shall be undertaken at several grade levels on a uniform, statewide basis.

Amend s. 118.30 (fm) (a), (am) and (b) as follows: ۱۹۶۹ - ۲۳۵

118.30 (Im) (a) Beginning In the 1998-97 school year, administer the 4th grade examination to all pupils enrolled In the school district, including pupils enrolled In charter schools located In the school district and pupils participating in The Milwaukee Parental Choice Program under s. 119.23. In the 4Th grade.

(am) Administer the 8th grade examination to all pupils enrolled in the school district. Including pupils enrolled In charter schools located In the school district and pupils participating In the Mifwaukee parental choice program under s. 119.23, In the 8Th grade.

(b) Administer the 10th grade examination to all pupils enrolled in the school district, **including** pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district and pupils participating in the Milwaukee oarental choice program under s. 119.23, In the 10th grade.

Create s. 119.23 (2) (a) 6 as follows:

119.23 (2) (a) 6 The private school shall have a formal governance structure, including a board of directors. The board must include a specified and formal process for selection and terms of members. It-must also include-(A)-members who have no proprietary interest in school, and (2)-parents. The school must have formal bylaws which may be promulgated and amended by the board. Board meetings must be held in accordance with all that in 19.54 state open meeting laws.

Amend s. 149,23 (4) as follows:

119.23 (4) Upon receipt-from the pupil's parent or guardian of proof of the pupil's enrollment in the private school, the state superintendent shall pay to the private school, from the appropriation under \$ 20.255 (2) ((fu), an amount equal to the total amount to which the school district is entitled under s. 121.08 divided by The school district membership, or an amount equal to the private school's operating and debt service cost per pupil that is related to educational programming, as determined by the department, whichever is less. The state superintendent shall pay 25% of the total amount in September, 25% in November December, 25% in February to and 25% in May June

Recreate s.119.23 (9) (a) as follows>

119,23-(9) (a) The state superintendent may conduct an on-sile linancial audit at his or her discretion.

Amend s. 121.02(1) (r) as follows:

121.02 (1) (r) Annually administer a standardized reading test developed by the department to all pupils enrolled in the school district In grade 3, including pupils enrolled in charter schools located In the school district and private schools participating in the Milwaukee parental choice program under s. 119.23.

> EFFECTIVE DATE: 1997-98 school vear CONTACT PERSON(S): Lori Slauson, Policy and Budget (808) 287-9127

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

SECTION #.

Section #. 19.82 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

19.82 (1) "Governmental body" means a state or local agency, board, commission, committee, council, department or public body corporate and politic created by constitution, statute, ordinance, rule or order; a governmental or quasi-governmental corporation except for the Bradley center sports and entertainment corporation; a local exposition district under subch. II of ch. 229; a non-profit corporation operating the Olympic ice training center under s. 42.11 (3); or a formally constituted subunit of any of the foregoing, but excludes any such body or committee or subunit of such body which is formed for or meeting for the purpose of collective bargaining under subch. I, IV or V of ch. 111.

History: 1975 c. 426; 1977 c. 364,447; 1985 a. 26, 29, 332; 1987 a. 305; 1993 a. 215, 263, 456, 491; 1995 a. 27, 185; 1997 a. 79.

a brane of directors of a private school that is participating in the program under J-119.23.

Section #. 118.30 (lm) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

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118.30 (**1m**) (a) 1. Except as provided in sub. (6), administer the 4th grade examination adopted or approved by the state superintendent under sub. (1) (a) to all pupils enrolled in the school district, including pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, in the 4th grade. Beginning on July 1, 2002, if the school board has not developed and adopted its own 4th grade examination, the school board shall provide a pupil with at least 2 opportunities to achieve a score on the examination administered under this subdivision that is sufficient for promotion under sub. (5) (a) 1.

2. Beginning on July 1, 2002, if the school board has developed or adopted its own 4th grade examination, administer that examination to all pupils enrolled in the school district, including a pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, in the 4th grade. The school board shall provide a pupil with at least 2 opportunities to pass the examination administered under this subdivision.

History: 1991 a. 269; 1993 a. 16,367; 1995 a. 27 ss. 3971b to 3971yd, 9145 (1); 1997 a. 27, 164, 237.

Section #. 118.30 (lm) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

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2. Beginning on July 1, 2002, if the school board has developed or adopted its own 8th grade examination, administer that examination to all pupils enrolled in the school district, including pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, in the 8th grade. The school board shall provide a pupil with at least 2 opportunities to pass the examination administered under this subdivision.

History: 1991 a. 269; 1993 a. 16, 367; 1995 a. 27 ss. 3971b to 3971yd, 9145 (1); 1997 a. 27, 164, 237

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Section #. 118.30 (lm) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.30 (1m) (b) Administer the 10th grade examination to all pupils enrolled in the school district, including pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, in the 10th grade. This paragraph does not apply after the 2000–01 school year.

History: 1991 a. 269; 1993 a. 16, 367; 1995 a. 27 ss. 3971b to 3971yd, 9145 (1); 1997 a. 27, 164, 237.

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Section #. 119.23 (2) (a) 1., 2. and 3. of the statutes are amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 1. The pupil is a member of a family that has a total family income that does not exceed an amount equal to $\frac{2.62}{1.75}$ times the poverty level determined in accordance with criteria established by the director of the federal office of management and budget.

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113.

2. In the previous school year the pupil was enrolled in the school district operating under this chapter, was attending a private school under this and the was enrolled in grades bin dergerten to 3 sin-a-private-school located in the city other-than-under-this-section or was not enrolled in school.

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27,113.

3. The private school notified the state superintendent of its intent to participate in the program under this section by May(1) of the previous school year. The notice shall specify the number of pupils participating in the program under this section for which the school has space.

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113.

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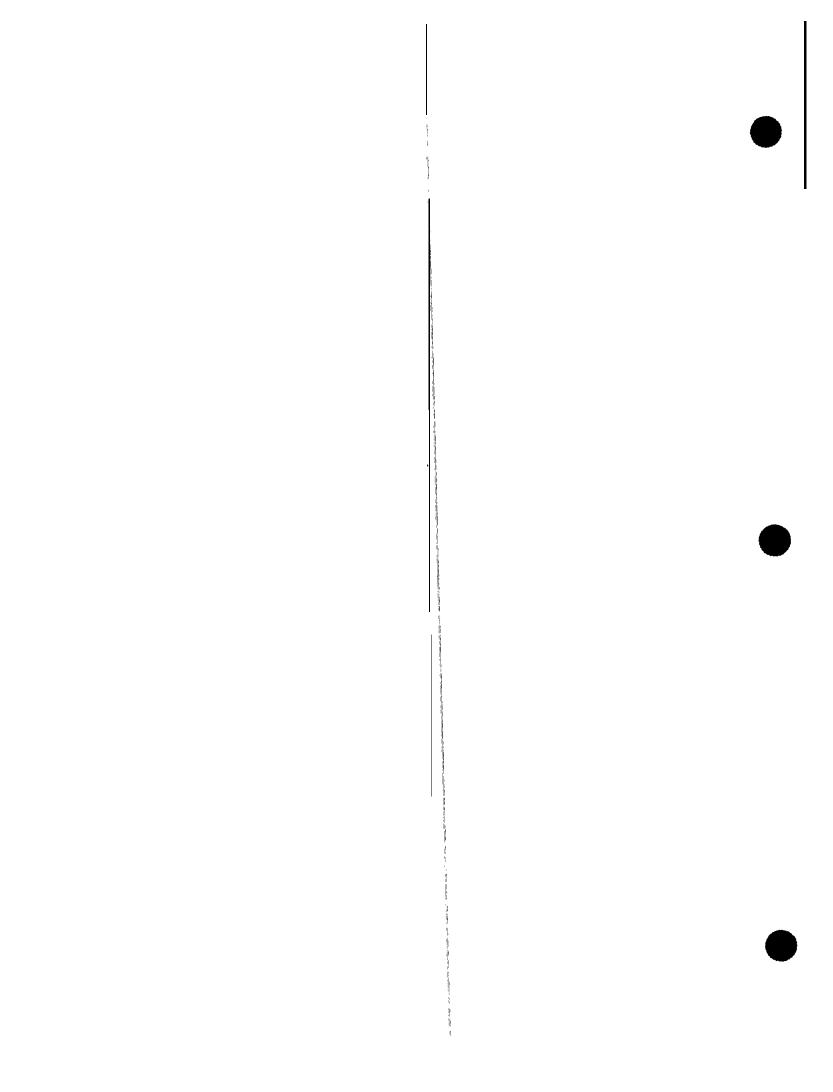
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DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

December 1, 1998

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Peter R. Grant Assistant Chief Counsel 267-3362

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SECTION 1. 19.82 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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2. Beginning on July 1, 2002, if the school board has developed or adopted its own 4th grade examination, administer that examination to all <u>4th grade</u> pupils enrolled in the school district, including <u>4th grade</u> pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, in the 4th grade and to all 4th grade pupils enrolled in private schools that are participating in the program under s. <u>119.23</u> and are located in the school district. The school board shall provide a pupil with at least 2 opportunities to pass the examination administered under this subdivision.

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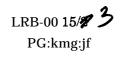
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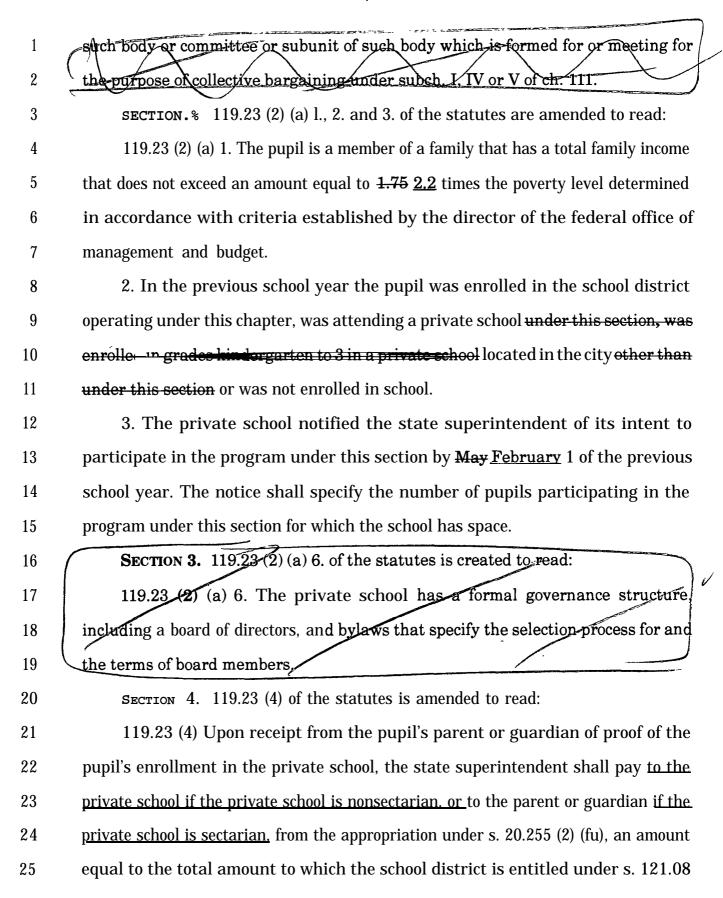
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SUBMITTAL FORM

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU Legal Section Telephone: 266-3561 5th Floor, 100 N. Hamilton Street

The attached draft is submitted for your inspection. Please check each part carefully, proofread each word, and **sign** on the appropriate line(s) below.

Date: 3/10/99

To: Representative Williams

Relating to LRB drafting number: LRB-0015

<u>**Topic</u>** Milwaukee school choice</u>

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1. JACKET the draft for introduction \underline{REP} , \underline{W} , \underline{MSMS}

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2. REDRAFT. See the changes indicated or attached ______

A revised draft will be submitted for your approval with changes incorporated.

3. Obtain FISCAL ESTIMATE NOW, prior to introduction

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If you have any questions regarding the above procedures, please call 266-3561. If you have any questions relating to the attached draft, please feel free to call me.

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