

# 1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 231

March 23, 1999 – Introduced by Representative WILLIAMS. Referred to Committee on Education Reform.

1 **AN ACT to repeal** 118.40 (2r) (c) 3.; and **to amend** 118.40 (2r) (c) 2. of the statutes;  
2 **relating to:** eligibility to attend a charter school established by the city of  
3 Milwaukee, the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee or the Milwaukee Area  
4 Technical College.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, a charter school is exempt from most laws governing public schools. A charter school may be established by filing a petition with a school district requesting the school board to enter into a contract with a person to establish and operate a charter school or by a school board's initiating such a contract. In addition, current law authorizes the city of Milwaukee, the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Area Technical College, to initiate a contract with an individual or group to operate a school as a charter school or to establish and independently operate charter schools. A pupil residing in the Milwaukee public school district may attend a charter school established by one of the Milwaukee entities only if, in the previous school year, one of the following applied:

1. The pupil was enrolled in the Milwaukee public schools.
2. The pupil was attending a private school under the Milwaukee parental choice program.
3. The pupil was enrolled in grades kindergarten to 3 in a private school, located in the city of Milwaukee, other than under the Milwaukee parental choice program.
4. The pupil was not enrolled in school.

