

1999 SENATE BILL 189

June 8, 1999 – Introduced by Senators GEORGE, DECKER, BAUMGART and MOEN, cosponsored by Representatives PLOUFF, LA FAVE, MUSSER, HASENOHRL, BOCK, POCAN, KREUSER, MORRIS-TATUM, MEYER, RICHARDS and BOYLE. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 36.27 (1) (a) and 73.0305; and **to create** 36.27 (1) (b) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** limiting increases of academic fees at the University of
3 Wisconsin System.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill limits increases of academic fees (resident, undergraduate tuition) at the University of Wisconsin System to the percentage change in the consumer price index.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 36.27 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 36.27 **(1)** (a) Subject to ~~par.~~ pars. (b) and (c), the board may establish for
6 different classes of students differing tuition and fees incidental to enrollment in
7 educational programs or use of facilities in the system. Except as otherwise provided
8 in this section, the board may charge any student who is not exempted by this section

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1 a nonresident tuition. The board may establish special rates of tuition and fees for
2 the extension and summer sessions and such other studies or courses of instruction
3 as the board deems advisable.

4 **SECTION 2.** 36.27 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

5 36.27 (1) (b) The annual increase in undergraduate academic fees may not
6 exceed an amount equal to the corresponding academic fees of the previous academic
7 year multiplied by the sum of 1.0 plus the allowable rate of increase under s. 73.0305
8 expressed as a decimal.

9 **SECTION 3.** 73.0305 of the statutes is amended to read:

10 **73.0305 Revenue limits calculations.** The department of revenue shall
11 annually determine and certify to the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin
12 System, no later than the 4th Monday in April, the allowable rate of increase for
13 academic fees under s. 36.27 (1) (b) and to the state superintendent of public
14 instruction, no later than the 4th Monday in June, the allowable rate of increase for
15 the limit imposed under subch. VII of ch. 121. For those academic fees and for that
16 limit, the allowable rate of increase is the percentage change in the consumer price
17 index for all urban consumers, U.S. city average, between the preceding March 31
18 and the 2nd preceding March 31, as computed by the federal department of labor.

19 (END)