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1 **Relating to:** requesting Congress to meet its fiscal responsibility for the education
2 of children with disabilities.

3 Whereas, the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act mandates
4 that children with disabilities, ages 3 through 21, receive a free appropriate public
5 education designed to meet their individual needs; and

6 Whereas, the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act establishes a
7 commitment to fund 40% of the cost of educating children with disabilities; and

8 Whereas, the federal government currently meets only 10% of the cost of
9 educating children with disabilities in Wisconsin; and

10 Whereas, the number of medically fragile children and those with special needs
11 is growing faster than the general K–12 enrollment; and

12 Whereas, Wisconsin school districts are increasingly forced to transfer dollars
13 from regular education in order to fund the mandated special education services;
14 now, therefore, be it

