2003 SENATE BILL 107

April 9, 2003 – Introduced by Senators HARSDFOR, SCHULTZ, ROESSLER, DECKER and LEIBHAM, cosponsored by Representatives PETROWSKI, J. LEHMAN, BIES, GROTHMAN, M. LEHMAN, MUSSER, HINES, MILLER, PETTIS, SHERMAN, OTT, LEMAHIEU, HAHN, M. WILLIAMS, PLOUFF, FRISKE, ALBERS, HUBER, STONE, TOWNS, JESKEWITZ and J. FITZGERALD. Referred to Committee on Education, Ethics and Elections.

AN ACT to amend 115.38 (2) of the statutes; relating to: school and school district performance reports.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, each school board must by January 1 each year distribute to the parent or guardian of each pupil enrolled in the school district a copy of the school and school district performance report, which contains information such as scores on statewide pupil examinations and attendance and retention rates, as well as a comparison of the school district’s performance with the performance of other school districts in the same athletic conference.

This bill requires instead that the school board send the report by May 1 each year only to parents or guardians who request it and, if the school district maintains an Internet site, requires the report be made available to the public at that site. The bill also eliminates the required comparison of school district performance.

For further information see the local 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:

SECTION 1. 115.38 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

115.38 (2) Annually by January May 1, each school board shall, upon request, distribute to the parent or guardian of each pupil enrolled in the school district,
including pupils enrolled in charter schools located in the school district, or give to each pupil to bring home to his or her parent or guardian, a school and school district performance report that includes the information specified by the state superintendent under sub. (1). The report shall also include a comparison of the school district’s performance under sub. (1) (a) and (b) with the performance of other school districts in the same athletic conference under sub. (1) (a) and (b) if the school district maintains an Internet site, the report shall be made available to the public at that site.

**SECTION 2. Effective date.**

(1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2004.

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