

2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 882

December 19, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives BALLWEG, BIES, HAHN, HINES, KRAWCZYK and NISCHKE. Referred to Committee on Colleges and Universities.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 15.91 of the statutes; **relating to:** appointment of student
2 members of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System (board) consists of the state superintendent of public instruction, the president or another member of the Technical College System Board, 14 citizen members, and a student member who is at least 18 years old. Current law prohibits the governor from appointing a student member from the same institution in two consecutive terms.

This bill deletes this prohibition and provides the following instead:

1. The governor may not appoint the same student member to consecutive two-year terms.
2. The governor may not appoint a student member who is enrolled in an institution in which the previous student member was enrolled when he or she was appointed.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 15.91 of the statutes is amended to read:
4 **15.91 Board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System; creation.**
5 There is created a board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System consisting

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1 of the state superintendent of public instruction, the president, or by his or her
2 designation another member, of the technical college system board and 14 citizen
3 members appointed for staggered 7-year terms, and a student enrolled at least
4 half-time and in good academic standing at an institution within the University of
5 Wisconsin System who is at least 18 years old and a resident of this state, for a 2-year
6 term. The student member may be selected from recommendations made by elected
7 representatives of student governments at institutions within the University of
8 Wisconsin System. The governor may not appoint the same student member to
9 consecutive 2-year terms, nor appoint a student member ~~from the same institution~~
10 ~~in any 2 consecutive terms~~ who is enrolled in an institution in which the previous
11 student member was enrolled when he or she was appointed. If the student member
12 loses the status upon which the appointment was based, he or she shall cease to be
13 a member of the board of regents.

14 (END)