AN ACT to create 121.91 (4) (L) of the statutes; relating to: increasing a school districts revenue limit by the amount spent for school safety and security measures and granting rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law generally limits the increase in the total amount of revenue per pupil that a school district may receive from general school aids and property taxes in a school year to the amount of revenue increase allowed per pupil in the previous school year increased by the percentage change in the consumer price index. Several exceptions are provided. For example, if a school district increases the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a service transferred to it from another governmental unit, its revenue limit is increased by the cost of that service.

This bill provides that a school district's revenue limit in any school year is increased by an amount equal to the amount spent by the school district in that school year for safety and security measures, but not more than an amount equal to $100 multiplied by the number of pupils enrolled.

For further information see the state and 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. 121.91 (4) (L) of the statutes is created to read:

121.91 (4) (L) The limit otherwise applicable to a school district’s revenue under sub. (2m) in any school year is increased by an amount, determined by the state superintendent, equal to the amount spent by the school district in that school year for safety measures designed to protect pupils and staff and for security measures designed to prevent criminal activity in schools, but not more than an amount equal to $100 multiplied by the number of pupils enrolled. The state superintendent shall promulgate rules specifying the safety and security measures that are eligible for a revenue limit adjustment under this paragraph.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to the calculation of a school district’s revenue limit for the school year beginning after the effective date of this subsection.

(END)