



**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 236**

May 26, 2009 - Offered by Representative RADCLIFFE.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 118.33 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes; **relating to:** high school science
2 credits.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a school board may not grant a high school diploma to any pupil unless the pupil has earned, in grades 9 to 12, at least four credits of English, three credits of social studies, two credits of mathematics, two credits of science, and 1.5 credits of physical education.

This substitute amendment requires a school board to award a pupil a science credit for completing in grades 9 to 12 each course in agriculture that the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has determined qualifies as science according to criteria established by DPI.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.33 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:
4 118.33 (1) (a) 1. In the high school grades, at least 4 credits of English including
5 writing composition, 3 credits of social studies including state and local government,

1 2 credits of mathematics, 2 credits of science and 1.5 credits of physical education.
2 The school board shall award a pupil a science credit for successfully completing in
3 the high school grades each course in agriculture that the department has
4 determined qualifies as science according to criteria established by the department.

5 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

6 (1) This act first applies to agriculture courses completed during the 2009–10
7 school year.

8 (END)