State of Misconsin



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2009 WISCONSIN ACT 34

AN ACT *to amend* 111.70 (1) (a); and *to create* 111.70 (4) (n) of the statutes; **relating to:** preparation time as a mandatory subject of collective bargaining.

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

SECTION 1. 111.70(1)(a) of the statutes is amended to read:

111.70(1) (a) "Collective bargaining" means the performance of the mutual obligation of a municipal employer, through its officers and agents, and the representative of its municipal employees in a collective bargaining unit, to meet and confer at reasonable times, in good faith, with the intention of reaching an agreement, or to resolve questions arising under such an agreement, with respect to wages, hours, and conditions of employment, and with respect to a requirement of the municipal employer for a municipal employee to perform law enforcement and fire fighting services under s. 61.66, and for a school district with respect to any matter under sub. (4) (n), except as provided in sub. (4) (m) and s. 40.81 (3) and except that a municipal employer shall not meet and confer with respect to any proposal to diminish or abridge the rights guaranteed to municipal employees under ch. 164. The duty to bargain, however, does not compel either party to agree to a proposal or require the making of a concession. Collective bargaining includes the reduction of any agreement reached to a written and signed document. The municipal employer shall not be required to bargain on subjects reserved to management and direction of the governmental unit except insofar as the manner of exercise of such functions affects the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of the municipal employees in a collective bargaining unit. In creating this subchapter the legislature recognizes that the municipal employer must exercise its powers and responsibilities to act for the government and good order of the jurisdiction which it serves, its commercial benefit and the health, safety, and welfare of the public to assure orderly operations and functions within its jurisdiction, subject to those rights secured to municipal employees by the constitutions of this state and of the United States and by this subchapter.

SECTION 2. 111.70 (4) (n) of the statutes is created to read:

111.70 (4) (n) Mandatory subjects of bargaining. In a school district, in addition to any subject of bargaining on which the municipal employer is required to bargain under sub. (1) (a), the municipal employer is required to bargain collectively with respect to time spent during the school day, separate from pupil contact time, to prepare lessons, labs, or educational materials, to confer or collaborate with other staff, or to complete administrative duties.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2007–08: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].

(1) This act first applies to collective bargaining agreements that cover any period that begins after June 30, 2011.