

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 58 [2009 Senate Bill 370] Grant for Improving Academic Achievement in Milwaukee Public Schools

Current Law

Current law permits the school board of the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) to apply to the Department of Administration (DOA) for an annual grant to be used by MPS to be used to improve pupil academic achievement. The state currently appropriates \$9.65 million in general purpose revenue per year to this grant program.

Under current law, MPS must include with its application to DOA for the grant, a plan describing initiatives for which the grant moneys will be used. If DOA approves the plan, it must notify the Department of Public Instruction (DPI), and the State Superintendent must pay MPS the amount specified in the notice from DOA.

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2009 Wisconsin Act 58 revises current law by changing the department to which MPS must apply for a grant from DOA to DPI.

Effective date: 2009 Wisconsin Act 58 takes effect on November 24, 2009.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.