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SENATE BILL 18

October 11, 2011 – Introduced by COMMITTEE ON SENATE ORGANIZATION, by request of Governor Scott Walker and Representative Radcliffe. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 118.33 (1m) of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing a school
2 board to grant a vocational high school diploma.

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 at least 4 credits of English, 3 credits of social studies, 2 credits of science, 2 credits of mathematics, 1.5 credits of physical education, and 0.5 credits of health education.

This bill authorizes a school board to grant a vocational high school diploma to a pupil who has not earned the academic credits specified above but has earned a sufficient number of credits in vocational subjects, as determined by the school board, if the Department of Public Instruction has approved the school district's vocational curriculum.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.33 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:
4 118.33 **(1m)** In lieu of granting a high school diploma under sub. (1), a school
5 board may grant a vocational high school diploma to a pupil who has not earned the
6 academic credits required under sub. (1) but has earned a sufficient number of

1 credits in vocational subjects, as determined by the school board, if the department
2 has approved the school district's vocational curriculum.

3 (END)