State of Wisconsin



2011 Senate Bill 335

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2011 WISCONSIN ACT 156

AN ACT *to amend* 115.787 (2) (g) 1.; and *to create* 118.33 (1) (g) of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing a school board to grant a technical education high school diploma.

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

SECTION 1. 115.787 (2) (g) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

115.787 (2) (g) 1. Beginning not later than in the first individualized education program that will be in effect when the child is 14, and updated annually thereafter, a statement of appropriate, measurable postsecondary goals for the child based on age–appropriate transition assessments related to training, education, employment and, where appropriate, independent living skills. <u>An</u> individualized education program that indicates a goal of a technical education high school diploma under s. 118.33 (1) (g) shall specify the course of study that the pupil must take to attain that goal.

SECTION 2. 118.33 (1) (g) of the statutes is created to read:

118.33 (1) (g) 1. A school board may grant a technical education high school diploma to a pupil who does all of the following:

a. Satisfies the requirements under par. (a).

b. Earns in the high school grades the same total number of credits that the school board requires of other pupils for high school graduation.

c. Successfully completes a technical education program, established by the school board, in a subject or subjects.

2. In establishing a technical education program under subd. 1. c., the school board may incorporate standards for industry–recognized certifications. Annually, the department shall provide to each school board operating high school grades a list of such certifications. The school board shall indicate on a pupil's technical education high school diploma the certifications attained by the pupil.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2009–10: 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].