



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2011 Wisconsin Act 215
[2011 Senate Bill 174]

**Modification to Expansion of
Parental School Choice**

The Biennial Budget Act, 2011 Wisconsin Act 32, expanded the parental school choice program to eligible school districts. Under the expansion, a pupil who meets family income and other requirements may attend a participating private school in an eligible school district. The Budget Act defined an eligible school district as a school district located in whole or in part in a city of the second class that is eligible to receive state aid as a high poverty school district and that satisfies certain requirements related to equalized value per pupil and shared cost per pupil in the district's membership.

2011 Wisconsin Act 215 provides that a school district must meet the definition of an eligible school district on the effective date of Act 215 in order to qualify as an eligible school district for purposes of the parental school choice program.

Effective date: Act 215 takes effect on April 20, 2012.

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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: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.