2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 715

March 15, 2012 – Introduced by Representatives RINGHAND, GRIGSBY, PASCH, POCAN, MOLEPSKE JR, HINTZ, BERCEAU, TURNER, POPE-ROBERTS and SINICKI, cosponsored by Senator S. COGGS. Referred to Committee on Education.

1  AN ACT to amend 121.91 (7); and to create 121.91 (4) (nm) of the statutes;

2 relating to: revenue limit adjustment for school nursing services.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Prior to the enactment of the 2011–13 biennial budget act, 2011 Wisconsin Act 32 (Act 32), the total amount of revenue per pupil that a school district could receive from general school aids and property taxes in any school year was limited to the amount of revenue increase allowed per pupil in the previous school year increased by the percentage change in the consumer price index. Act 32 decreased the revenue limit adjustment for the 2011–12 school year, provided a $50 per pupil adjustment for the 2012–13 school year, and eliminated the per pupil adjustment for the 2013–14 school year and every school year thereafter.

Several exceptions to the revenue limit exist under current law. For example, if a school district increases the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a service transferred to it from another governmental unit, its revenue limit is increased by the cost of that service. Act 32 eliminated a revenue limit adjustment available to a school district for the cost of employing school nurses. This bill restores that revenue limit adjustment.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
SECTION 1. 121.91 (4) (nm) of the statutes is created to read:

121.91 (4) (nm) 1. If a school board adopts a resolution to do so, the limit otherwise applicable to the school district under sub. (2m) in any school year is increased by the amount spent by the school district in the 2nd previous school year to pay the salary and fringe benefit costs of school nurses employed by the school board and school nurses providing nursing services in the school district under a contract with the school board.

2. Any additional revenue received by a school district under this paragraph shall not be included in the base for determining the school district’s limit under sub. (2m) for the following school year.

SECTION 2. 121.91 (7) of the statutes, as affected by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32, is amended to read:

121.91 (7) Except as provided in sub. (4) (f) 2., (nm), (o), and (q) and (8), if an excess revenue is approved under sub. (3) for a recurring purpose or allowed under sub. (4), the excess revenue shall be included in the base for determining the limit for the next school year for purposes of this section. If an excess revenue is approved under sub. (3) for a nonrecurring purpose, the excess revenue shall not be included in the base for determining the limit for the next school year for purposes of this section.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) The treatment of sections 121.91 (4) (nm) of the statutes first applies to the calculation of a school district’s revenue limit for the 2012–13 school year.

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