

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Senator Risser:

In reviewing this amendment, please note all of the following:

1. Our Drafting Manual permits us to use an acronym in the text of a proposal only if the acronym is so widely used that readers are more likely to recognize the acronym than the full term, for example, HIV and AIDS. You and I are well familiar with the acronym "WAICU," but the general reader is not. Accordingly, this amendment uses the full term, "Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities," and not the acronym "WAICU."
2. Section 990.001 (6), stats., provides that the titles of statutes are *not* part of the statutes. As such, the titles amended in this amendment are not legally binding, so HEAB can call the grants "Wisconsin grants — WAICU" regardless of what those titles say. If WAICU is concerned about out-of-state or for-profit institutions obtaining grants under s. 39.30, then a substantive change to the statutes or HEAB rules, and not a mere name change, would be necessary.

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