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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:	Soldner, Robert DPI <robert.soldner@dpi.wi.gov> Friday, February 15, 2013 3:39 PM Archibald, Sarah Kuczenski, Tracy; Kulow, Chris; 'bender@parentchoice.org'; Pahnke, Brian D. DPI; Kammerud, Jennifer DPI; Collins, Tricia DPI RE: Process of resolving drafting questions on the two preliminary choice drafts LRB 1358 DPI Comments.docx</robert.soldner@dpi.wi.gov>
Hello All,	
Attached are DPI's commer next week.	nts related to LRB 1358. We will review the documents from SCW and get back to you early
Bob Soldner	
Sent: Friday, February 15, To: Pahnke, Brian D. DPI; CC: Kuczenski, Tracy; Kulov	Collins, Tricia DPI; Soldner, Robert DPI; Kammerud, Jennifer DPI
Hi all,	
Right on time, here are the this draft by Tuesday.	notes on the second of the two drafts from SCW. DPI, please review and send your notes on
I am also looking forward to	o getting DPI notes on the first draft at some point today.
Thanks to all for your hard Sarah	work on this!
From: Jim Bender [mailto: Sent: Friday, February 15, To: Archibald, Sarah Cc: Nycole Stawinoga Subject: Re: Process of res	
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	raft. There are some baseline errors in the draft that when addressed will likely facilitate many ned a timeline that may be helpful to the drafter.
Thank you,	

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Date: Wed, 13 Feb 2013 15:48:00 -0600

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Hi all,

Thanks for getting back to me about the timelines and meeting date. I look forward to getting the advance materials, and seeing you all next Wednesday, February 20, at 11am in 300SE.

Have a great evening,

Sarah

From: Kuczenski, Tracy

Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 3:36 PM

To: Archibald, Sarah; Collins, Tricia DPI (<u>Tricia.Collins@dpi.wi.gov</u>); Soldner, Robert A - DPI; Pahnke, Brian D. DPI (<u>Brian.Pahnke@dpi.wi.gov</u>); Kulow, Chris; 'Jim Bender' (bender@parentchoice.org)

Subject: RE: Process of resolving drafting questions on the two preliminary choice drafts

Sorry I just realized I didn't reply. I will plan to be there, pending any budget (or post-budget) crises.

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From: Archibald, Sarah

Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 2:39 PM

To: Collins, Tricia DPI (<u>Tricia.Collins@dpi.wi.gov</u>); Soldner, Robert A - DPI; Pahnke, Brian D. DPI

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'Jim Bender' (<u>bender@parentchoice.org</u>)

Subject: Process of resolving drafting questions on the two preliminary choice drafts

Hi all,

I'm sending this email for a couple of reasons: 1) to set a meeting time, and 2) to propose a process by which we can prepare for that meeting.

- 1) Because of drafter availability, we are looking at Wednesday, February 20 for a meeting to resolve all of the drafting questions on the two drafts. Can everyone make 11 am?
- 2) Here is my proposal for preparing for that meeting:
 - a. In terms of the first draft, LRB-1358/P1, DPI will respond in writing to the comments submitted by Jim Bender, which they've received and reviewed and stated that they have some questions about whether all of the language is necessary. DPI will submit this to Chris Kulow, myself, and Jim Bender by this Friday, February 15. We will then talk over the remaining issues at the meeting on the 20th.
 - b. In terms of the second draft, LRB-1408/P1, Jim Bender will submit comments to all of those copied here by Friday, February 15. DPI will respond in writing by Tuesday, February 19, sending the response to Chris, myself and Jim, and then we'll talk over remaining issues at the meeting on the 20th.

Please let me know if the proposed meeting time and process will work for you.

Thanks!

Sarah

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DPI Comments: 2-14-13

General Comments: Suggestions apply to language under both s. 119.23 and s. 118.60.

- \(\sigma\). Section 1, page 2, lines 1 through 7. Accreditation organizations use various terms for changes in accreditation status. Is it the intent that only those schools that "failed" or were "unable to maintain" accreditation or "withdrew" should be terminated? What about schools whose accreditation lapsed, was cancelled or membership was terminated? DPI suggests the language on page 1, line 8 of the draft "continuously maintains accreditation" should also be used in this section. For example, "If the state superintendent determines that a participating private school has failed to continuously maintain accreditation from an entity or organization identified under sub. (2)(a) 7, the state superintendent shall issue an order ... " Also see note 1 below.
- Section 1, page 2, lines 8 through 14. Similar to point 1, is the intent to only require those schools whose accreditation had lapsed or was revoked to obtain accreditation from another organization before reentering in the program? Or if a school fails to maintain accreditation for whatever reason, must the school obtain accreditation from another organization before reentering the program?
- Section 2, page 2, lines 23 through 25. Similar to point 1, because accreditation organizations may not all use the term "revoked", DPI suggests the language be amended to required a school to notify the department if its accreditation status changes.
 - Section 7, page 5. The new language appears similar to current law under s. 119.23(2)(a)7.b. It is unclear why it is added to this section. Section 118.60 does not contain this current law provision (s. 119.23(7)(f)). DPI suggests that it be added to s. 118.60 to keep the programs consistent. Under s. 119.23(2)(a)7.b. "... A private school that fails to obtain accreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subd. 7. b. in the following school year....". The same sentence is also included under 118.60(2)(a)7.b. DPI believes this is unnecessary statutory language and is confusing to the intent of accreditation and preaccreditation. DPI suggests the sentence be removed from both 119.23 and 118.60. there the second chardlang

Comments to SCW notes:

- 1. DPI has authority under s. 119.23(10)(am) to terminate a school in the subsequent year. Could the language on page 2, section 1, lines 1 through 7 be added to s. 119.23(10)(am)? This would allow the department to start the termination process in the current year with an effective date in the subsequent school year. In addition, it keeps the termination language under s. 119.23(10). Please note this change would permit, but not require, the state superintendent to bar a school for failing to meet this requirement. If the intent is mandatory termination, the language under s. 119,23(10) would need to be modified.
- 2. Policy decision.
- 3. If the intent is to terminate the school in the subsequent year, DPI suggests including this language under s. 119.23(10)(am). The DPI already provides schools with an appeal process, and does not believe appeal language should be added to statute for this specific requirement.
- 4. See note 3 under general comments.
- 5. Policy decision.
- 6. Policy decision. Is the Transformation of Learning considering accrediting schools? Mr. phase out
- 7. DPI believes this is already required under current law. For example, Wis. Adm. Code PI 35.02(10k), and 35.047(12) require a school that has been terminated to meet all new school requirements prior to reentering the program. The DPI believes new language that limits compliance with new school requirements to only those schools terminated due to loss of accreditation may weaken applicability of the new school requirements.
- 8. Policy decision (related to note 6).

Comments from SCW Forwarded from Sarah A. by email 2/15/13

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Page 2, Section 1, line 6 and Page 4, Section 5, line 4. "superintendent shall issue an order immediately terminating the private school's participation in the program" needs to be changed to "superintendent shall issue an order terminating the private school's participation in the program at the end of the current school year"

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On page 2, lines 1 -7, and page 3, Lines 16 -19, we need to ensure that if a school withdraws from the accreditation process or has it revoked, but they are accredited by another agency that they are Not removed from the program. Someons with a superior by more than one organization simultaneously so the resulting action must mean that they are no longer accredited by any qualified organization.

On page 2 section 2 line 17 and page 4 section 6 line 15 should be clarified that the information is due between December 1 and January 15 in a school year and applies to the current school year and that DPI shall confirm receipt and acceptance within ten days. Failure to submit will result in removal from the program after that current school year and will prohibit them from having any open enrollment periods for students. The 45 day period upon enactment of bill for 2012-13 school year works. There should also be a 30 day appeal period after termination. 7, 604 2013 147

On page 2 section two no. 2 and page 5 section 6 no. 2 it states "a participating private school shall immediately notify the department if its accreditation by one of the entities or organizations.... is revoked." The accrediting agency should also have to notify the department in addition to the school. The region of the control of

page 3 section 3 line 2 and page 5 section 8 line 14 puts this under bad actor. Remove. We do not want this included in the bad actor provisions.

Page 3 section 5 line 12-14 and page 6 section 10 line 5-7 Transformation of Learning Institute is still involved, but they should be given end dates for accreditation like PAVE was given - three years?

If a school is removed for loss of accreditation, they need to enter as a new school and go through new process.

We also need language if an accrediting organization is removed from statute. A school might be in fine standing with an organization that gets removed and then the school is technically left without an approved accreditation. They would need to provide DPI by the following December of a new accreditation organization and follow the same threeyear timeline for full accreditation.

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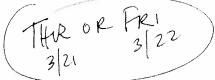
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AN ACT to amend 118.60 (10) (a) 6., 118.60 (10) (c), 119.23 (7) (f) (intro.), 119.23

2 (10) (a) 6. and 119.23 (10) (c); and **to create** 118.60 (7) (ad), 118.60 (7) (em),

119.23 (7) (ad) and 119.23 (7) (em) of the statutes; relating to: requiring private

schools participating in the choice program to maintain accreditation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a subsequent version of this draft.

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

SECTION 1. 118.60 (7) (ad) of the statutes is created to read:

118.60 (7) (ad) (1.) The governing body of a participating private school accredited as required under sub. (2) (a) 7. shall ensure that the private school continuously maintains accreditation from an entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. as long as the private school continues to participate in the program under this section.

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- 2. If the state superintendent determines that a participating private school has failed or is unable to maintain accreditation as required under subd. 1., that the governing body of the private school has withdrawn the private school from the accreditation process, or that the private school's accreditation has been revoked by one of the entities or organizations identified in sub. (2) (a) 7., the state superintendent shall issue an order immediately terminating the private school's participation in the program under this section.
- 3. A private school whose participation is terminated under subd. 2. may not participate in the program under this section until the governing body of the private school demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that it has obtained accreditation from an accrediting entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. other than the entity or organization from which the private school's accreditation had lapsed or, if the private school's accreditation was revoked, other than the entity or organization that revoked the private school's accreditation.

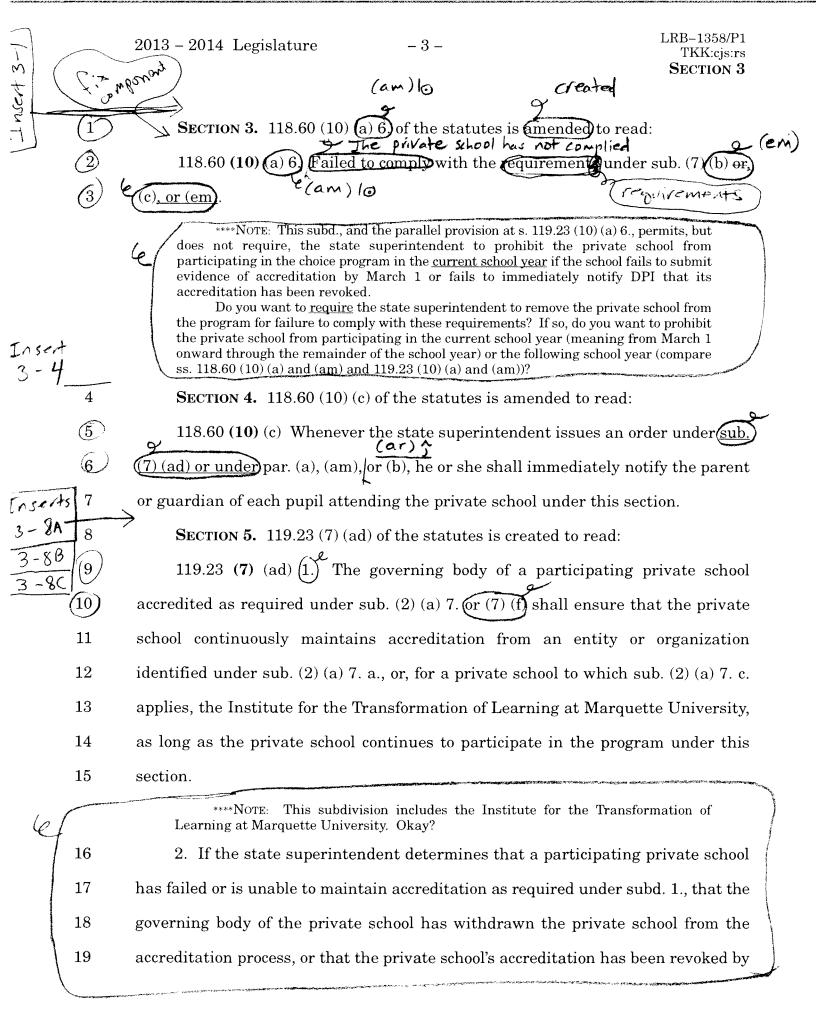
SECTION 2. 118.60 (7) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

governing body of each participating private school shall by March 1 annually provide the department with evidence demonstrating that the private school remains accredited as required under par. (ad). The governing body shall include as evidence of accreditation a letter prepared by one of the accrediting entities or organizations identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. that confirms that the private school is accredited by that entity or organization as of the date of the letter.

2. A participating private school shall immediately notify the department if its accreditation by one of the entities or organizations identified under sub. (2) (a) 7.

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one of the entities or organizations identified in sub. (2) (a) 7. a., or, for a private school to which sub. (2) (a) 7. c. applies, the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, the state superintendent shall issue an order immediately terminating the private school's participation in the program under this section.

****Note: This subdivision includes the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University. Okay?

- 3. A private school whose participation is terminated under subd. 2. may not participate in the program under this section until the governing body of the private school demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that it has obtained accreditation from an accrediting entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a. other than the entity or organization from which the private school's accreditation had lapsed or, if the private school's accreditation was revoked, other than the entity or organization that revoked the private school's accreditation.
 - **SECTION 6.** 119.23 (7) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

governing body of each participating private school shall by March 1, annually provide the department with evidence demonstrating that the private school remains accredited as required under par. (ad). The governing body shall include as evidence of accreditation a letter prepared by one of the accrediting entities or organizations identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a., or, for a private school to which sub. (2) (a) 7. c. applies, the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, that confirms that the private school is accredited by that entity or organization as of the date of the letter.

1 2. A participating private school shall immediately notify the department if its accreditation by one of the entities or organizations identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a., or, for a private school to which sub. (2) (a) 7. c. applies, the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, is revoked by that entity or organization. (6) SECTION 7. 119.23 (7) (f) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: 119.23 (7) (f) (intro.) A private school that is neither accredited nor approved 8 under sub. (2) (a) 7., and to which either of the following applies, shall apply for accreditation by December 31 of the school year in which it enters or reenters the 10 program under this section and shall achieve accreditation by any entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a. by December 31 of the 3rd school year 11 following the first school year that begins after July 1, 2013, in which it participates 12 13 in the program: **Section 8.** 119.23 (10) (a) 6. of the statutes is amended to read: 14 15 119.23 (10) (a) 6. Failed to comply with the requirements under sub. (7) (b) or, 16 (c), or (em). **Section 9.** 119.23 (10) (c) of the statutes is amended to read: [18]119.23 (10) (c) Whenever the state superintendent issues an order under su 19) (7) (ad) or under par. (a), (am), or (b), he or she shall immediately notify the parent 20 or guardian of each pupil attending the private school under this section. SECTION 10. Nonstatutory provisions. 21 Notwithstanding sections 118.60 (7) (em) 1. and 119.23 (7) (em) 1. of the 22 23 statutes, as created by this act, within 45 days after the effective date of this 24subsection, the governing body of each private school participating in the program 25 under section 118.60 or 119.23 of the statutes in the 2012-13 school year shall submit

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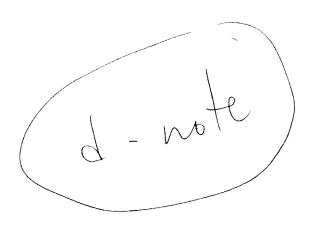
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to the department of public instruction evidence demonstrating the accreditation status of the private school. If applicable, the governing body of the participating private school shall include as evidence of accreditation a letter prepared by one of the accrediting entities or organizations identified under section 118.60 (2) (a) 7. or 119.23 (2) (a) 7. a. of the statutes, or, for a private school to which section 119.23 (2) (a) 7. c. of the statutes applies, the Institute for the Transformation of learning at Marquette University, that confirms that the private school is accredited by that entity or organization as of the date of the letter.

(2) If a private school described in subsection (1) fails to comply with the notification requirement under subsection (1) the state superintendent of the department of public instruction shall issue an order terminating the private school's participation in the programs under sections 118.60 and 119.23 of the statutes beginning in the 2013–14 school year.

(3) A private school whose participation is terminated under subsection (2) may not participate in the program under section 118.60 or 119.23 of the statutes until the private school has complied with the requirements under section 118.60 (7) (ad) 3. or 119.23 (7) (ad) 3. of the statutes, as created by this act.

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SECTION 1. 118.60 (2) (a) 7. of the statutes is renumbered 118.60 (2) (a) 7. a. and amended to read:

118.60 (2) (a) 7. a. For a private school that is a first-time participant in the program under this section, and that is not accredited by Wisconsin North Central and Independent School Accreditation. Wisconsin Religious Association, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or by any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private Schools Accreditation, the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, or the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located by September 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins after August 31, 2011; by August 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins in the first school year that begins after a school district is identified as an eligible school district under sub. (1m); or by May 1 if the private school begins participation in the program under this section during summer school. In any school year, a private school may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities enumerated in this subdivision. A private school that

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fails to obtain accreditation preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek

to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subdivision in the following school year. The

b. Each private school shall achieve accreditation participating in the program (4)under this section that is not accredited by Wisconsin North Central Association, 5 Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools 6 Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School 7 Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese 8 within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by 9 the National Council for Private School Accreditation, shall apply for accreditation 10 by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the first school year in 11 which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this 12 section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by 13 December 31 of the 3rd school year following the first school year in which the private 14school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section. If the 15 private school is accredited under this subdivision subd. 7. b., the private school is 16 not required to obtain preaccreditation under subd. 7. a. as a prerequisite to 17 providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or 18 19 new school.

History: 2011 a. 32, 47, 215; s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

History: s section. The department may not by rule establish standards under sub. (7) (am) that exceed the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Cooperations.

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SECTION 2. 118.60 (10) (ar) of the statutes is created to read:

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118.60 (10) (ar) 1. If the state superintendent determines that a private school general has failed to continuously maintain accreditation as required under sub. (7) (ad) (1), that the governing body of the private school has withdrawn the private school from

participating in the program under this section that is not accredited by one of the entities or organizations identified in subdo 7000

the accreditation process, or that the private school's accreditation has been revoked by one of the entities or organizations identified in sub. (2) (a) 7, the state superintendent shall issue an order barring the private school's participation in the program under this section at the end of the current school year.

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2. A private school whose participation is barred under subd. 1. may not participate in the program under this section until the governing body of the private school demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that it has obtained accreditation from an accrediting entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 2. follow 7. other than the entity or organization with which the private school was unable to continuously maintain accreditation or, if the private school's accreditation was revoked, other than the entity or organization that revoked the private school's accreditation.

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Section 3. 118.60 (11) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

118.60 (11) (c) Within 10 days after receiving the information submitted as required under sub. (7) (em), notify the participating private school of receipt and approval of accreditation status.

SECTION 4. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. Subject to subd. 7. c. and d., for a private school that is a first-time participant in the program under this section on or after July 1, 2009, and that is not accredited as provided under subd. 7. a., the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National

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Lutheran School Accreditation, or the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located by August 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins after July 1, 2009, or by May 1 if the private school begins participating in the program during summer school. In any school year, a private school may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities enumerated in this subd. 7. b. A private school that fails to obtain accreditation preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subd. 7. b. in the The Each private school shall achieve accreditation following school year. participating in the program under this section that is not accredited by Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, shall apply for accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the first school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the first school year that begins after July 1, 2009, in which it participates the private school begins participation in or reenters, the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7. b., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school:

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 105; 2003 a. 33, 155; 2005 a. 25, 125; 2009 28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13,92 (2) (t); s. 35,17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

Section 5. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. c. On or after July 1, 2009, a private school participating or seeking to participate in the program under this section may not apply for accreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, except that a private school that has applied for accreditation to the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University before July 1, 2009, may complete the accreditation process with the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, and may, subject to subd. 7. e., seek renewal of accreditation from the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University.

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 105; 2003 a. 33, 155; 2005 a. 25, 125; 2009 a. 28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13.92 (2) (i); s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

Section 6. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. e. of the statutes is created to read:

the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University and that is participating in the program under this section on the effective date of this subdivision paragraph [LRB inserts date], the private school achieves accreditation by Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, by December 31, 2016. If the private school is accredited as provided under this subd.

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Section 7. 119.23 (10) (am) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (10) (am) 1. The private school has not complied with the requirement

under sub. (7) (f) (em).

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 105; 2003 a. 33, 155; 2005 a. a. 28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13.92 (2) (i); s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

SECTION 8. 119.23 (10) (ar) of the statutes is created to read:

119.23 (10) (ar) 1. If the state superintendent determines that a private school has failed to continuously maintain accreditation as required under sub. (7) (ad)(1) that the governing body of the private school has withdrawn the private school from the accreditation process, or that the private school's accreditation has been revoked by one of the entities or organizations identified in sub. (2) (a) 7. a. or b. or, for a private school to which sub. (2) (a) 7. c. applies, the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, the state superintendent shall issue an order barring the private school's participation in the program under this section at the end in the program under this section of the current school year.

2. A private school whose participation is barred under subd. 1. may not participate in the program under this section until the governing body of the private school demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that it has obtained accreditation from an accrediting entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a. or b) other than the entity or organization with which the private school was unable to continuously maintain accreditation or, if the private school's accreditation fuiled

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3	SECTION 9. 119.23 (11) (c) of the statutes is created to read:	**
4	119.23 (11) (c) Within 10 days after receiving the information submitted as	
	required under sub. (7) (em), notify the participating private school of receipt and	
6	approval of accreditation status.	
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SECTION 1. 118.60 (9) of the statutes is amended to read: 1

118.60 (9) If any accrediting agency specified under sub. (2) (a) 7. a. determines 2 during the accrediting or preaccrediting process that a private school does not meet 3 all of the requirements under s. 118.165 (1), it shall report that failure to the 4 5 department.

History: 2011 a. 32, 47, 215; s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

History: s section. The department may not by rule establish standards under sub. (7) (am) that exceed the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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Section 2. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. Subject to subd. 7. c. and d., for For a private school that is a first-time participant in the program under this section on or after July 1, 2009, and before the effective date of this subd. 7. b. [LRB inserts date], and that is not accredited as provided under subd. 7. a., the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, or the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located or by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by August 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins after July 1, 2009, or by May 1 if the private school begins participating in the program during summer school. In any school year, a private school to which this subd. 7. b. applies may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities enumerated or organizations identified in this subd. 7. b. A private

school to which this subd. 7. b. applies that fails to obtain accreditation preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated or organizations identified in this subd. 7. b. in the following school year. The

bg. Subject to subd. 7. c. and d., a private school to which subd. 7. b. applies shall achieve accreditation by Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the first school year that begins after July 1, 2009, in which it the private school participates in the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7. b. bg., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school.

History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 105; 2003 a. 33, 155; 2005 a. 25, 125; 2009 a. 28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13.92 (2) (i); s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

a. 28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13.92 (2) (i); s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (intro.).

SECTION 3. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. and br. of the statutes are created to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. For a private school that begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section on or after the effective date of this subd.
7. bm. [LRB inserts date], and that is not accredited by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a., the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University or by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by August 1 before the first

school term in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, or by May 1 if the private school begins participating in, or renters, the program during summer school. In any school year, a private school to which this subd. 7. bm. applies may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities or organizations identified in this subd. 7. bm. A private school to which this subd. 7. bm. applies that fails to obtain preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subd. 7. bm. in the following school year.

br. A private school to which subd. 7. bm. applies shall apply for accreditation by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by December 31 of the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7. br., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school.



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SECTION 1. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. of the statutes is created to read:

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119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. Beginning on the effective date of this subd. 7. bm. [LRB inserts datel, and except as provided in subd. 7. a., each private school participating in the program under this section that is not accredited by Wisconsin North Central Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Association, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, shall apply for accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7 bm., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school.

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19 Section 2. 119.23 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (9) If any accrediting agency specified under sub. (2) (a) 7 (a), b., or d. determines during the accrediting or preaccrediting process that a private school

does not meet all of the requirements under s. 118.165 (1), it shall report that failure

2 to the department.

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History: 1989 a. 336; 1993 a. 16, 1995 a. 27 ss. 4002 to 4009, 9145 (1); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 27, 113; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 105; 2003 a. 33, 155; 2005 a. 25, 125; 2009 a-28, 96; 2011 a. 32, 47; s. 13,92 (2) (i) s. 35.17 correction in (4) (d) (introl).

DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Senator Olsen:

I have modified this draft to in response to input received from DPI and School Choice Wisconsin at the February 20 meeting. As you review the draft, please note the following changes:

a soldhacktor 22 bretone I have renumbered and amend s. 118.60 (2) (a) 7. and amend (119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. to require that all participating private schools apply for accreditation by December 31 of the first year in which the school participates in the program, or reenters the program, and obtain accreditation by December 31 of the 3rd school year of participation in the program. I repeal s. 119.23 (7) (f), as the requirement under that paragraph is now incorporated into s. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. by and bo

2. I (have created ss. 118.60 (10) (ar) and 119.23 (10) (ar), which permit DPI to bar a private school that has failed to continuously maintain accreditation as required under ss. 118.60 (7) (ad) and 119.23 (7) (ad) from participating in the program in the next school year and until the school has obtained accreditation.

- 3. In the previous draft, DPI was permitted to bar a private school that failed to notify DPI of its accreditation status from participating in the program in the current school year. I have removed this provision from ss. 118.60 (10) (a) and 119.23 (10) (a) and instead permit DPI to bar the private school from participating in the program in the next school year under ss. 118.60 (10) (am) and 119.23 (10) (am).
- 4. This draft requires private schools that are accredited with the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University to seek accreditation from another accrediting entity or organization by December 31, 2016. a chieve

In our meeting, representatives of School Choice Wisconsin requested that I create a provision in the statutes that would require a private school accredited by an entity or organization that is "removed from statute" to seek accreditation from another entity or organization within 3 years. I'm not sure how to draft this provision. In part, I am concerned that, without identifying the offending entity or organization in some way, this requirement would fail to provide adequate notice to private schools. The list of accrediting organizations and entities provided in the statutes is intentionally broad and vague (to include umbrella organizations) and includes a catch-all. How does the private school know when an accrediting entity or organization included in a catch-all

or under an umbrella organization is no longer acceptable to DPI? And at what point does the three-year time period for changing the accrediting entity or organization kick in?

I recommend that, if DPI determines that an accrediting entity or organization is no longer acceptable, the statues be amended to explicitly identify the entity or organization (as PAVE and ITLMU are identified in s. 119.23 (2) (a) 7.). Alternatively, the statues could require DPI to maintain a list of acceptable accrediting entities or organizations and to notify private schools when an accrediting entity or organization no longer comports with DPI's standards. Under this latter alternative, the three-year timeline could be triggered when DPI provides the notice to private schools.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns or wish to make any changes to this draft.

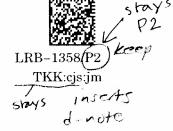
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AN ACT to repeal 119.23 (7) (f); to renumber and amend 118.60 (2) (a) 7.; to amend 118.60 (9), 118.60 (10) (c), 119.23 (2) (a) 7. b., 119.23 (2) (a) 7. c., 119.23 (9), 119.23 (10) (am) 1. and 119.23 (10) (c); and to create 118.60 (7) (ad), 118.60 (7) (em), 118.60 (10) (am) 1., 118.60 (10) (ar), 118.60 (11) (c), 119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. and br., 119.23 (2) (a) 7. e., 119.23 (7) (ad), 119.23 (7) (em), 119.23 (10) (ar) and 119.23 (11) (c) of the statutes; relating to: requiring a private school participating in a parental choice program to maintain accreditation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a subsequent version of this draft.

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

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amended to read:

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118.60 (2) (a) 7. a. For a private school that is a first-time participant in the program under this section, and that is not accredited by Wisconsin North Central Wisconsin Religious and Independent School Accreditation, Association, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or by any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private Schools Accreditation, the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, or the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located or by one of the entities or organizations identified in this subd. 7. a. by September 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins after August 31, 2011; by August 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins in the first school year that begins after a school district is identified as an eligible school district under sub. (1m); or by May 1 if the private school begins participation in the program under this section during summer school. In any school year, a private school may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities enumerated in this subdivision subd. 7. a. A private school that fails to obtain accreditation preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subdivision subd. 7. a. in the following school year. The

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b. Beginning on the effective date of this subd. 7. b. [LRB inserts date], each private school shall achieve accreditation by Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, participating in the program under this section that is not accredited by one of the entities or organizations shall apply for accreditation by one of those entities or identified in (subd that begins after the effective date of this NIGO 706 CLEB organizations by December 31 of the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the first school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subdivision subd. 7. b., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation under subd. 7. a. as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school. **Section 2.** 118.60 (7) (ad) of the statutes is created to read: 118.60 (7) (ad) The governing body of a participating private school accredited as required under sub. (2) (a) 7. shall ensure that the private school continuously maintains accreditation from an entity or organization identified under sub. (2)(a)7. a. as long as the private school continues to participate in the program under this section.

SECTION 3. 118.60 (7) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

1	118.60 (7) (em) 1. Subject to subd. 2., beginning in the 2013–14 school year, the	
2	governing body of each participating private school shall annually, by January 15,	/
(3)	demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department that the private school remains	
4	accredited for the current school year as required under par. (ad). The governing	
5	body shall include as evidence of accreditation a letter prepared by one of the	
6	accrediting entities or organizations identified under sub. (2) (a) 7. that confirms that	v
7	the private school is accredited by that entity or organization as of the date of the	
8	letter.	
9	2. A participating private school shall immediately notify the department if its	10
10	accreditation status with one of the entities or organizations identified under sub.	
11)	(2) (a) 7./changes.	
12	SECTION 4. 118.60 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:	
13	118.60 (9) If any accrediting agency specified under sub. (2) (a) 7. <u>a.</u> determines	/
14	during the accrediting or preaccrediting process that a private school does not meet	
15	all of the requirements under s. 118.165 (1), it shall report that failure to the	
16	department.	
17	Section 5. 118.60 (10) (am) 1. of the statutes is created to read:	
18	118.60 (10) (am) 1. The private school has not complied with the requirements	
19	under sub. (7) (em).	
20	Section 6. 118.60 (10) (ar) of the statutes is created to read:	
21	118.60 (10) (ar) 1. If the state superintendent determines that a private school	
22	has failed to continuously maintain accreditation as required under sub. (7) (ad),	
23	that the governing body of the private school has withdrawn the private school from	
24	the accreditation process, or that the private school's accreditation has been revoked	
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1	superintendent shall issue an order barring the private school's participation in the
2	program under this section at the end of the current school year.

2. A private school whose participation in the program under this section is barred under subd. 1. may not participate in the program under this section until the governing body of the private school demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that it has obtained accreditation from an accrediting entity or organization identified under(sub)(2) (a) 7. (other than the entity or organization with which the private school failed to continuously maintain accreditation or, if the private school's accreditation was revoked, other than the entity or organization that revoked the private school's accreditation.

SECTION 7. 118.60 (10) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.60 (10) (c) Whenever the state superintendent issues an order under par. (a), (am), (ar), or (b), he or she shall immediately notify the parent or guardian of each pupil attending the private school under this section.

SECTION 8. 118.60 (11) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

118.60 (11) (c) Within 10 days after receiving the information submitted as required under sub. (7) (em), notify the participating private school of receipt and approval of accreditation status.

SECTION 9. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. b. Subject to subd. 7. c. and d., for For a private school that is a first-time participant in the program under this section on or after July 1, 2009, and before the effective date of this subd. 7. b. [LRB inserts date], and that is not accredited as provided under subd. 7. a., the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools

Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, or the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located or by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by August 1 before the first school term of participation in the program under this section that begins after July 1, 2009, or by May 1 if the private school begins participating in the program during summer school. In any school year, a private school to which this subd. 7. b. applies may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities enumerated or organizations identified in this subd. 7. b. A private school to which this subd. 7. b. applies that fails to obtain accreditation preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated or organizations identified in this subd. 7. b. in the following school year. The

bg. Subject to subd. 7. c. and d., a private school to which subd. 7. b. applies shall achieve accreditation by Wisconsin North Central Association, Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation, Independent Schools Association of the Central States, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation, National Lutheran School Accreditation, the diocese or archdiocese within which the private school is located, or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation, one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the first school year that begins after July 1, 2009, in which it the private school participates in the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7. b. bg., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation as a prerequisite

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to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school.

SECTION 10. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. and br. of the statutes are created to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. bm. For a private school that begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section on or after the effective date of this subd. 7. bm. [LRB inserts date], and that is not accredited by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a., the private school obtains preaccreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University or by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by August 1 before the first school term in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters. the program under this section, or by May 1 if the private school begins participating in, or renters, the program during summer school. In any school year, a private school to which this subd. 7. bm. applies may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from only one of the entities or organizations identified in this subd. 7. bm. A private school to which this subd. 7. bm. applies that fails to obtain preaccreditation in a school year may apply for and seek to obtain preaccreditation from one of the entities enumerated in this subd. 7. bm. in the following school year.

br. A private school to which subd. 7. bm. applies shall apply for accreditation by one of the entities or organizations identified in subd. 7. a. by December 31 of the that begins after the effective date of this subd. 7. br. A. . . . LLEB school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section, and shall achieve accreditation by one of those entities or organizations by December 31 of the 3rd school year following the school year in which the private school begins participation in, or reenters, the program under this section. If the private school is accredited under this subd. 7. br., the private school

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Section 11. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. c. On or after July 1, 2009, a private school participating or seeking to participate in the program under this section may not apply for accreditation by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, except that a private school that has applied for accreditation to the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University before July 1, 2009, may complete the accreditation process with the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University, and may, subject to subd. 7. e., seek renewal of accreditation from the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University.

SECTION 12. 119.23 (2) (a) 7. e. of the statutes is created to read:

119.23 (2) (a) 7. e. For a private school that is accredited by the Institute for the Transformation of Learning at Marquette University and that is participating in the program under this section on the effective date of this subd. 7. e. [LRB inserts date], the private school achieves accreditation by one of the entities or organizations identified under subd. 7. a. by December 31, 2016. If the private school is accredited as provided under this subd. 7. e., the private school is not required to obtain preaccreditation under subd. 7. b. or bm. as a prerequisite to providing instruction under this section in additional grades or in an additional or new school.

SECTION 13. 119.23 (7) (ad) of the statutes is created to read:

119.23 (7) (ad) The governing body of a participating private school accredited as required under sub. (2) (a) 7. shall ensure that the private school continuously maintains accreditation from an entity or organization identified under sub. (2) (a)