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## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

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**2013 Senate Bill 316**

**Senate  
Amendments 1 and 2**

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### **Current Law**

Under current law, a school district may establish and maintain community education, training, recreational, cultural, or athletic programs and services, outside the regular curricular and extracurricular programs for pupils under terms and conditions prescribed by the school board. School districts may establish a separate fund for such community service activities, sometimes referred to as "Fund 80." School districts are allowed to adopt a separate tax levy for this fund, which is outside of the revenue limit.

Under 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, the Biennial Budget Act, a school board is prohibited from levying more for community programs and services in 2013 or 2014 than it levied in the most recent year preceding 2013 in which it levied for community programs and services.

### **Senate Bill 316**

Senate Bill 316 creates two exceptions to the limit on the amount that may be levied for community programs and services, as follows:

- If a school board levied more for community programs and services in 2011 than it levied in 2012, its limit is the amount it levied in 2011, except as provided below.
- If a school board voted before July 1, 2013, to adopt a plan for its community programs and services levy in 2013, its limit is the amount specified in the plan.

**Senate Amendment 1**

Senate Amendment 1 modifies the second exception so that it applies to plans adopted before June 1, 2013, instead of July 1, 2013.

**Senate Amendment 2**

Under Senate Amendment 2, the exceptions created in the bill apply only if the school board's levy for community programs and services in 2011 or 2012 was less than \$1,000,000.

**Bill History**

Senate Amendments 1 and 2 were offered by Senator Petrowski. On October 3, 2013, the Senate Committee on Education adopted Senate Amendment 1 unanimously and adopted Senate Amendment 2 on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 3. On the same date, the committee unanimously recommended passage of the bill, as amended.

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