AN ACT to amend 118.16 (2) (c) and 118.16 (2) (cg) (intro.) of the statutes; relating to: method for notifying parent or guardian of habitually truant pupil.

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

SECTION 1. 118.16 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.16 (2) (c) Except as provided under pars. (cg) and (cr), shall notify the parent or guardian of a child who has been truant of the child’s truancy and direct the parent or guardian to return the child to school no later than the next day on which school is in session or to provide an excuse under s. 118.15. The notice under this paragraph shall be given before the end of the 2nd school day after receiving a report of an unexcused absence. The notice may be made by personal contact, 1st class mail, or telephone call of which a written record is kept, except that notice by personal contact or telephone call shall be attempted before notice by 1st class mail may be given.

SECTION 2. 118.16 (2) (cg) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.16 (2) (cg) (intro.) Shall notify the parent or guardian of a child who is a habitual truant, by registered or certified mail or by 1st class mail, when the child initially becomes a habitual truant. The school attendance officer may simultaneously notify the parent or guardian of the habitually truant child by an electronic communication. The notice shall include all of the following:

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* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication.”