AN ACT to amend 119.04 (1); and to create 118.465 of the statutes; relating to: policies related to transgender pupils.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to develop a model policy regarding transgender pupils and requires each school board to adopt a policy regarding transgender pupils, which may be the same as the model policy developed by DPI.

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

SECTION 1. 118.465 of the statutes is created to read:

118.465 Policy regarding transgender pupils. (1) In this section:

(a) “Gender identity” means an individual’s deeply held sense or psychological knowledge of their own gender.

(b) “Transgender pupil” means a pupil whose gender identity is different from that traditionally associated with the pupil’s assigned sex at birth.
(2) By 180 days after the effective date of this subsection .... [LRB inserts date],
the department shall develop a model policy regarding transgender pupils. The
department shall address in its model policy conduct that takes place in a school, on
school property, at school-sponsored functions and activities, on school buses or
vehicles, and at school bus stops. The department shall post the model policy on its
Internet site.

(3) By 270 days after the effective date of this subsection .... [LRB inserts date],
each school board shall adopt a policy regarding to transgender pupils. A school
board may adopt the model policy under sub. (2). The school board shall provide a
copy of the policy to any person who requests it.

**SECTION 2.** 119.04 (1) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
amended to read:

119.04 (1) Subchapters IV, V and VII of ch. 115, ch. 121 and ss. 66.0235 (3) (c),
66.0603 (1m) to (3), 115.01 (1) and (2), 115.28, 115.31, 115.33, 115.34, 115.343,
115.345, 115.363, 115.365 (3), 115.38 (2), 115.415, 115.445, 118.001 to 118.04,
118.045, 118.06, 118.07, 118.075, 118.076, 118.10, 118.12, 118.125 to 118.14, 118.145
(4), 118.15, 118.153, 118.16, 118.162, 118.163, 118.164, 118.18, 118.19, 118.20,
118.223, 118.225, 118.24 (1), (2) (c) to (f), (6), (8), and (10), 118.245, 118.255, 118.258,
118.291, 118.292, 118.293, 118.30 to 118.43, 118.46, **118.465**, 118.50, 118.51, 118.52,
118.53, 118.55, 118.56, 120.12 (2m), (4m), (5), and (15) to (27), 120.125, 120.13 (1), (2)
(b) to (g), (3), (14), (17) to (19), (26), (34), (35), (37), (37m), and (38), 120.137, 120.14,
120.21 (3), and 120.25 are applicable to a 1st class city school district and board but
not, unless explicitly provided in this chapter or in the terms of a contract, to the
commissioner or to any school transferred to an opportunity schools and partnership program.

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