



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 273
[2017 Assembly Bill 745]

**High School Seniors as
Apprentices**

Under current law, any individual 16 years of age or over may enter into an apprentice contract to receive instruction in any trade, craft, or business in consideration for the individual's services. That instruction must include a minimum number of hours of related classroom instruction and on-the-job training.

2017 Wisconsin Act 273 allows a high school senior to begin the first year of a regular apprentice contract during the final year of high school if the school district certifies the following: (1) that the student is expected to graduate high school no later than the end of the current school year; (2) that the proposed training schedule will not delay the completion of graduation requirements; and (3) that it will award high school credit for the hours of instruction and on-the-job training the student completes during the first year of the contract.

Effective date: This Act takes effect on April 14, 2018, and first applies to students who are high school seniors during the 2018-19 school year.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.