

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 329	Assembly Amendment 1
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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 329

The bill prohibits licensed educators, school boards, private school governing bodies, and charter school operators from assisting a school employee, contractor, or agent in obtaining a new job if they know, or have a reasonable suspicion to believe, that the school employee, contractor, or agent committed a sex offense with a minor or pupil, unless one of the following is true:

- The assistance is the transmittal of administrative or personnel files.
- The information known, or that is the basis of the reasonable suspicion, has been reported to law enforcement, and law enforcement has closed any resulting case or investigation without a conviction.

Under the bill, providing prohibited assistance is "immoral conduct" for which the Department of Public Instruction may revoke an educator's license.

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The amendment limits the scope of jobs for which assistance may not be provided from all jobs to jobs in a school or with a local educational agency.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Duchow introduced Assembly Bill 329 on May 16, 2017, and introduced Assembly Amendment 1 on August 14, 2017. On September 21, 2017, the Assembly Committee on Education recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0, and passage of Assembly Bill 329, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 1.

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