2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 805

Assembly Bill 805 excludes certain college-level courses offered to high school pupils enrolled in a public high school from the Early College Credit Program (ECCP), if the course satisfies certain requirements. Under the bill, a course for which a public high school student may earn postsecondary credit is excluded from the ECCP if all of the following apply:

- The school board of the school district and the chancellor of a University of Wisconsin (UW) System institution have entered into an agreement before, on, or after the effective date of the bill, to provide a college credit in a high school program to academically qualified pupils under which participating pupils may take the course for postsecondary credit.

- The instruction of pupils in the course takes place in a school building in the school district or a school district facility.

- The high school teacher who provides instruction in the course is employed by the school district and has been certified or approved to provide the instruction by the participating UW System institution.

ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 2

Private, Nonprofit Institutions of Higher Education

In addition to the courses excluded from the ECCP under the bill, Assembly Substitute Amendment 2 also excludes from the ECCP certain courses that are under an agreement between a public school board and the president of a private, nonprofit institution of higher education.
education. Thus, under the substitute amendment, a course for which a public high school student may earn postsecondary credit is excluded from the ECCP if all of the following apply:

- The school board of the school district and one of the following have entered into an agreement before, on, or after the effective date of the substitute amendment, to provide a college credit in a high school program to academically qualified pupils under which participating pupils may take the course for postsecondary credit:
  - The chancellor of a UW System institution.
  - The president of a private, nonprofit institution.

- The instruction of pupils in the course takes place in a school building in the school district or a school district facility.

- The high school teacher who provides instruction in the course is employed by the school district and has been certified or approved to provide the instruction by one of the following:
  - The participating UW System institution.
  - The participating private, nonprofit institution.

Private High Schools

The substitute amendment also excludes from the ECCP certain courses for which a high school pupil attending a private high school may earn postsecondary credit if all of the following apply:

- The governing body of the private school and one of the following have entered into an agreement before, on, or after the effective date of the substitute amendment, to provide a college credit in a high school program to academically qualified pupils under which participating pupils may take the course for postsecondary credit:
  - The chancellor of a UW System institution.
  - The president of a private, nonprofit institution.

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1 Under the substitute amendment, a “private nonprofit institution” means a private, nonprofit postsecondary institution that is a member of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities or its successor organization.
The instruction of pupils in the course takes place in the private school building.

The high school teacher who provides instruction in the course is employed by the governing body of the private school and has been certified or approved to provide the instruction by one of the following:

- The participating UW System institution.
- The participating private, nonprofit institution.

Finally, the substitute amendment repeals a provision in current law that provides that the ECCP only applies to a private institution of higher education and to a tribally controlled college only if the private institution of higher education or tribally controlled college has notified the State Superintendent of its intent to participate in the program by September 1 of the previous school year.

**Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 2**

Under Assembly Substitute Amendment 2, a course excluded from ECCP must be taught by a high school teacher who is employed by the school district and certified by the participating UW System institution or private nonprofit institution. Assembly Amendment 1 allows a course excluded from ECCP under the substitute amendment to also be taught by a faculty member of the participating UW System institution or private nonprofit institution.

**Bill History**

On January 29, 2018, Representative Kooyenga offered Assembly Substitute Amendment 2. On February 1, 2018, the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities recommended adoption of Assembly Substitute Amendment 2 and passage of Assembly Bill 805, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

On February 8, 2018, Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 2 was offered by Representatives Quinn and Kooyenga. On February 13, 2018, the Assembly adopted Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 2 and adopted Assembly Substitute Amendment 2, as amended, on voice votes. That same day, the Assembly passed Assembly Bill 805, as amended, on a voice vote.

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