AN ACT relating to: funding for bilingual-bicultural education programs and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill provides additional funding to the Department of Public Instruction for bilingual-bicultural education programs in the 2017–18 and 2018–19 fiscal years. A bilingual-bicultural education program is a program designed to improve the ability of limited-English proficient pupils to speak, read, and write in the English language, so that the pupils will be able to perform classwork in English.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. Fiscal changes.

(1) BILINGUAL-BICULTURAL EDUCATION AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under section 20.255 (2) (cc) of the statutes, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017–18 is increased by $4,310,200 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made. In the
schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the
department of public instruction under section 20.255 (2) (cc) of the statutes, the
dollar amount for fiscal year 2018–19 is increased by $4,810,200 for the purposes for
which the appropriation is made.