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2017 SENATE BILL 696

January 19, 2018 - Introduced by Senators HANSEN, CARPENTER and L. TAYLOR, cosponsored by Representatives GENRICH, ANDERSON, BERCEAU, CROWLEY, MACCO, SARGENT, SINICKI and POPE. Referred to Committee on Universities and Technical Colleges.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 36.11 (3) (e) and 38.12 (15) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 acceptance of credit for International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
3 courses by University of Wisconsin System schools and technical colleges.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires University of Wisconsin System schools and technical colleges to accept academic credits for completing International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB) courses if 1) the student completes the IB course with a score of four or higher and requests that the course be accepted by the UW System school or technical college for credit; and 2) the general subject matter of the IB course is similar to a course offered by the UW System school or technical college. Credits accepted must be applied to satisfy general education requirements at the UW System school or technical college.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 36.11 (3) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

SENATE BILL 696**SECTION 1**

1 36.11 **(3)** (e) 1. The board shall ensure that all institutions and college
2 campuses accept academic credits for completing International Baccalaureate
3 Diploma Programme courses if all of the following apply:

4 a. The student completes the International Baccalaureate Diploma
5 Programme course with a score of 4 or higher and requests that the course be
6 accepted by the institution or college campus for academic credit.

7 b. The general subject matter of the International Baccalaureate Diploma
8 Programme course is similar to a course offered by the institution or college campus.

9 2. The board shall ensure that academic credits accepted under this paragraph
10 are applied to satisfy general education requirements at the receiving institution or
11 college campus.

12 **SECTION 2.** 38.12 (15) of the statutes is created to read:

13 38.12 **(15)** CREDIT FOR INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME COURSES. (a)
14 Each district board shall accept academic credits for completing International
15 Baccalaureate Diploma Programme courses if all of the following apply:

16 1. The student completes the International Baccalaureate Diploma
17 Programme course with a score of 4 or higher and requests that the course be
18 accepted by a district school for academic credit.

19 2. The general subject matter of the International Baccalaureate Diploma
20 Programme course is similar to a course offered by a district school.

21 (b) The district board shall ensure that academic credits accepted under this
22 subsection are applied to satisfy general education requirements at the receiving
23 district school.

24 **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

