AN ACT to amend 121.91 (7); and to create 121.91 (4) (m) of the statutes; relating to: a school district revenue limit adjustment for the cost of employing school nurses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law generally limits the total amount of revenue per pupil that a school district may receive from general school aids and property taxes in a school year to the amount of revenue allowed per pupil in the previous school year plus a per pupil increase, if any, as provided by law. However, current law also includes several adjustments to the general revenue limit. For example, if a school district increases the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a service transferred to it from another governmental unit, the school district’s revenue limit is increased by the cost of that service.

This bill creates a school district revenue limit adjustment for the costs of employing school nurses. Under the bill, if a school board adopts a resolution, the school district’s revenue limit is increased by the amount the school district spent during the second previous school year on salaries and benefits for school nurses.

For further information see the 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. 121.91 (4) (m) of the statutes is created to read:

121.91 (4) (m) 1. If a school board adopts a resolution to do so, the limit otherwise applicable to the school district under sub. (2m) in any school year is increased by the amount spent by the school district in the 2nd previous school year to pay the salary and fringe benefit costs of school nurses employed by the school board and school nurses providing nursing services in the school district under a contract with the school board.

2. Any additional revenue received by a school district under this paragraph shall not be included in the base for determining the school district’s limit under sub. (2m) for the following school year.

SECTION 2. 121.91 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

121.91 (7) Except as provided in subs. (4) (f) 2. and (m) to (qe) and (8), if an excess revenue is approved under sub. (3) for a recurring purpose or allowed under sub. (4), the excess revenue shall be included in the base for determining the limit for the next school year for purposes of this section. If an excess revenue is approved under sub. (3) for a nonrecurring purpose, the excess revenue shall not be included in the base for determining the limit for the next school year for purposes of this section.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to the calculation of a school district’s revenue limit for the school year beginning after the effective date of this subsection.

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