April 30, 2019 - Introduced by Senators Kooyenga and Olsen, cosponsored by Representatives Zimmerman, Kulp, Brandtjen, Kuglitsch, Spiros and Knodl. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Veterans and Military Affairs.

AN ACT to create 343.61 (4) (bm) of the statutes; relating to: driver school offices in private residences.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under this bill, if the Department of Transportation establishes requirements relating to driver school offices located in residences, DOT may not apply those requirements to offices to which students and members of the public have no access.

Under current law, DOT licenses driver schools. Applicants for the license must identify the “driver school office,” the location at which the driver school business is conducted. This may be a different location than the “driver school classroom,” the location at which driver training is conducted. Current rules promulgated by DOT prohibit a driver school office being located at a residence unless the office is separated from the residence by a wall or partition and is accessible from outside the residence with a direct entrance.

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

SECTION 1. 343.61 (4) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

343.61 (4) (bm) If the department establishes requirements relating to driver school offices located in residences, the department may not apply those
requirements to driver school offices in residences to which students and members
of the public have no access.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to an application for a driver school license received
by the department of transportation on the effective date of this subsection.