AN ACT relating to: UW System institution participation in Department of Public Instruction-initiated landscape analysis.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires that University of Wisconsin System institutions, if requested, fully cooperate and participate in a “landscape analysis.” The term “landscape analysis” is defined in the bill as the analysis of educator preparation programs for which the Joint Committee on Finance has approved the use of moneys from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2, and that is conducted by an independent organization that has been chosen by the Department of Public Instruction.

For further information see the state 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. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) REQUIRED PARTICIPATION IN LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS.
(a) In this subsection, “landscape analysis” means the analysis of educator preparation programs for which the joint committee on finance has approved the use of moneys from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2, and that is conducted by an independent organization that has been chosen by the department of public instruction.

(b) An institution, as defined in s. 36.05 (9), shall cooperate and participate in any landscape analysis if the department of public instruction requests the institution’s cooperation or participation.