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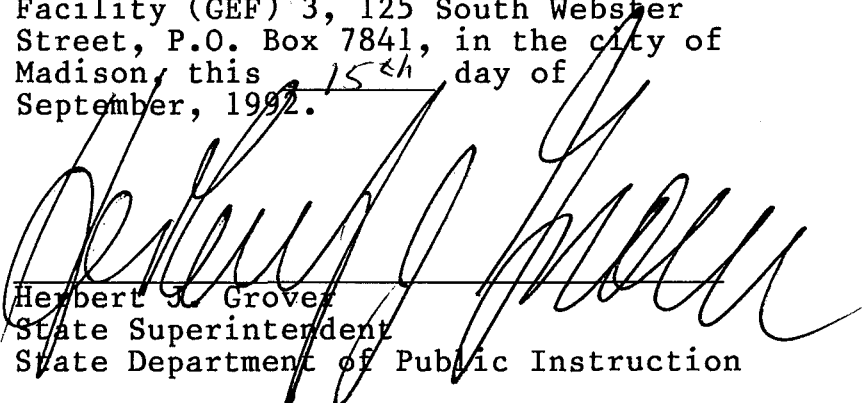
I, State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed rule relating to school district standards was duly approved and adopted by this Department on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at General Executive Facility (GEF) 3, 125 South Webster Street, P.O. Box 7841, in the city of Madison, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1992.

  
Herbert J. Grover  
State Superintendent  
State Department of Public Instruction

**ORDER OF THE  
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION  
CREATING/AMENDING RULES**

The state superintendent of public instruction hereby amends PI 8.01(1) and creates PI 8.01(3), relating to school district standards.

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**ANALYSIS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

Statutory authority: ss. 121.02(5) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats.

Statute interpreted: s. 121.02(1), Stats., and SECTION 9145(8k) of 1991 Wisconsin Act 39

Per SECTION 9145(8k) of 1991 Wisconsin Act 39, the proposed rule allows a school district board to request approval from the state superintendent for alternative compliance with any of the school district standards under s. 121.02(1), Stats.

The proposed rule includes deadlines for submitting the plan, information to be included in the plan and criteria to be used in approving the plan. The plan, if approved, will be effective for 1 year and may be renewed for an additional 3 years if an evaluation of the plan is submitted to and approved by the state superintendent.

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1           **SECTION 1.** PI 8.01(1) is amended to read:

2           PI 8.01(1) **PURPOSE.** To assure that the children of Wisconsin will have available an  
3 educational program meeting statutory standards and pursuant to s. 121.02, Stats., each  
4 school district board shall meet all of the school district standards set forth in sub. (2). A  
5 school district board may request approval from the state superintendent to comply in an  
6 alternative manner with any of the school district standards as specified in sub. (3).

7           **SECTION 2.** PI 8.01(3) is created to read:

8           PI 8.01(3) **ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE.** (a) A school district board may  
9 request that the state superintendent approve a plan for alternative compliance with any of the

1 school district standards under sub. (2). A school district requesting approval of alternative  
2 compliance under this subsection shall submit a written request to the state superintendent by  
3 September 1, if the alternative compliance plan is to be implemented during the spring  
4 semester; by March 1, if the alternative compliance plan is to be implemented during the fall  
5 semester. The request shall include all of the following information, as appropriate:

6 1. The school district standard addressed by the alternative compliance plan.

7 2. The means by which the alternative compliance plan addresses the objectives of the  
8 school district standard including all of the following information:

9 a. The program objectives and anticipated outcomes of the alternative compliance  
10 plan.

11 b. The rationale and research or other information supporting the alternative  
12 compliance plan.

13 c. The staffing patterns which may be affected by the alternative compliance plan.

14 d. The number of students by grade level to be affected by the alternative compliance  
15 plan.

16 e. Any needed staff development to support the alternative compliance plan.

17 f. Timelines for implementation of the alternative compliance plan.

18 g. A description of how the alternative compliance will be evaluated, including a  
19 description of how progress toward meeting program objectives and anticipated outcomes  
20 identified under subpar. a will be monitored and measured at regular intervals and at the  
21 conclusion of the year for which the plan is approved.

1 (b) 1. The state superintendent may approve a school district board's plan for  
2 alternative compliance with a school district standard, if he or she determines the alternative  
3 compliance plan will meet the objectives of the school district standard,  
4 maintains educational equity and will result in any of the following:

5 a. Improved efficiency in school administration or instruction.

6 b. Innovation in school district management or instruction, including but not limited  
7 to, progress towards outcome-based instruction and assessment; enhancement of educational  
8 opportunities; enhancement of education professions; and flexibility in staffing, programming  
9 and scheduling,

10 c. Other educational improvements.

11 2. The plan approval under subd. 1 may be subject to conditions specified by the state  
12 superintendent.

13 3. The state superintendent shall provide for the review of the requests for alternative  
14 compliance plans made under par. (a) and shall notify the school district board of his or her  
15 decision within 60 days from the date the request is received. The decision shall be in  
16 writing and shall include the reasons for the decision.

17 4. The state superintendent may either hold a public hearing or request that the school  
18 district board hold a public hearing on the alternative compliance being proposed.

19 (c) 1. An initial alternative compliance plan may be approved for a 2 year period.

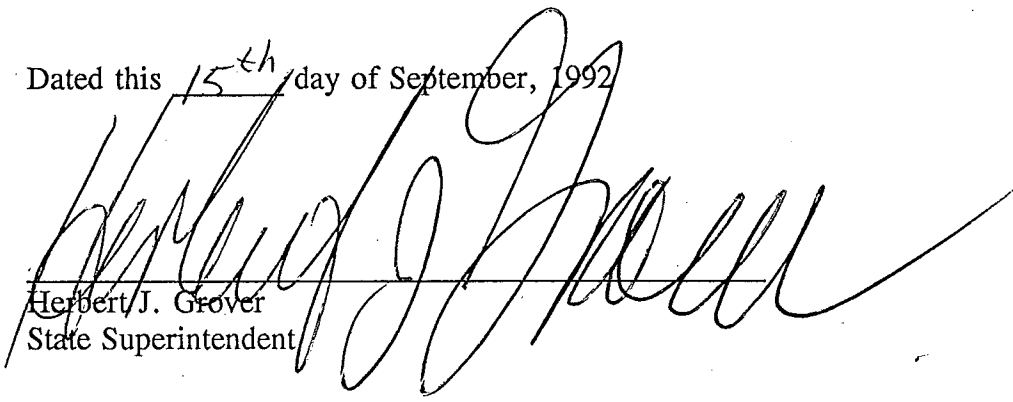
20 2. An alternative compliance plan may be renewed every 3 years after the initial plan  
21 approval only if an evaluation of the alternative compliance plan is provided by the school

1 district board and is approved by the state superintendent.

2 3. The evaluation shall include the information specified in par. (a)2g and is subject to  
3 the same timelines specified under par. (a).

The rules contained in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month commencing after the date of publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, as provided in s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1992

  
Herbert J. Grover  
State Superintendent

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