State of Misconsin



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2013 WISCONSIN ACT 138

AN ACT to amend 118.33 (1) (a) (intro.); and to create 118.33 (1) (em) of the statutes; relating to: allowing pupils in grades 7 and 8 to earn high school credit.

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

SECTION 1. 118.33 (1) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.33 (1) (a) (intro.) Except as provided in pars. (d) and, (e), and (em), a school board may not grant a high school diploma to any pupil unless the pupil has earned:

SECTION 2. 118.33 (1) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

118.33 (1) (em) A school board may count a credit that a pupil earns in grade 7 or 8 towards the requirements under par. (a) 1. or (am) if all of the following are satisfied:

1. The pupil's performance on an examination under s. 118.30 or a similar examination approved by the school board demonstrates that the pupil is academically prepared for coursework that is offered in the high school grades.

2. The credit is earned in a course that is taught by a teacher who is licensed to teach the subject in the high school grades.

3. The credit is earned in a course that is taught using a curriculum and assessments that are equivalent to the curriculum and assessments used to teach the subject in the high school grades.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to a course completed by a pupil in grade 7 or 8 during the 2014–15 school year.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."