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ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 20

March 4, 1997 - Offered by COMMITTEE ON MANDATES.

1 AN ACT *to renumber and amend* 120.18 (1) (a); *to amend* 43.70 (1), 43.70 (2),
2 119.32 (6) and 120.08 (2) (a); and *to create* 120.18 (1) (a) 1., 2. and 3. of the
3 statutes; **relating to:** the method of determining the number of children
4 residing in a school district for purposes of taking an annual school count

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

5 SECTION 1. 43.70 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 43.70 (1) No later than October 15 of each year, each school district
7 administrator shall certify to the department, on forms provided by the department,
8 a report of the total number of children persons between the ages of 4 and 20 years
9 residing in the school district on the preceding June 30. The number may be
10 estimated determined by using statistically significant sampling techniques that
11 have been approved by the department one of the methods under s. 120.18 (1) (a).

12 SECTION 2. 43.70 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

1 43.70 (2) Annually, within 40 days after December 1, the department shall
2 ascertain the aggregate amount of all moneys received as income in the common
3 school fund prior to that December 1 and shall apportion such amount to the school
4 districts in proportion to the number of ~~children~~ persons resident therein between
5 the ages of 4 and 20 years, as shown by the census report certified under sub. (1).

6 **SECTION 3.** 119.32 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 119.32 (6) The superintendent of schools shall take an annual ~~census~~ count of
8 all persons between the ages of 4 and 20 residing in the city and at the same time shall
9 collect such additional statistics and information relating to schools and the
10 population entitled to school privileges in the city as the board directs. The ~~census~~
11 count may be ~~estimated~~ determined by using ~~statistically significant sampling~~
12 ~~techniques that have been approved by the department~~ one of the methods under s.
13 120.18 (1) (a).

14 **SECTION 4.** 120.08 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 120.08 (2) (a) Upon petition filed with the school district clerk signed by 3% of
16 the number of heads of families residing in the school district as enumerated by the
17 last school ~~census~~ count or 100 electors, whichever is ~~less~~ fewer, or upon the motion
18 of the school board in a common or union high school district, a special meeting shall
19 be called by the school district clerk or, in his or her absence, by the school district
20 president or school district treasurer. If the petition includes a subject beyond the
21 power of the special meeting to transact, the school district clerk shall reject such
22 subject and so notify each elector signing the petition.

23 **SECTION 5.** 120.18 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 120.18 (1) (a) (intro.)
24 and amended to read:

1 120.18 (1) (a) (intro.) Except in a union high school district, ~~the school census,~~
2 ~~showing the numbers and ages of children~~ a count of persons between the ages of 4
3 and 20 residing in the school district. ~~The census may be estimated by using~~
4 ~~statistically significant sampling techniques that have been approved by the~~
5 ~~department.~~ Children cared for at a charitable or penal institution of this state may
6 not be included in the report. The school district clerk may employ a competent
7 person to take the school census. count. The count may be determined by using any
8 of the following methods:

9 **SECTION 6.** 120.18 (1) (a) 1., 2. and 3. of the statutes are created to read:

10 120.18 (1) (a) 1. Conducting a school census on the preceding June 30.

11 2. Using statistically significant sampling techniques that have been approved
12 by the state superintendent.

13 3. Adding the number of persons aged 4 to 20 who were residents of the school
14 district and were enrolled in the school district on the 3rd Friday of September of the
15 previous school year; plus the number of persons aged 4 to 20 who were residents of
16 the school district and who were enrolled in private schools, home-based private
17 educational programs or other school districts on the 3rd Friday of September of the
18 previous school year; plus the number or an estimate of the number of those persons
19 aged 4 to 20 who were residents of the school district and not enrolled in the school
20 district, private schools, home-based private educational programs or other school
21 districts on the 3rd Friday of September of the previous school year.

22 **SECTION 7. Effective date.**

23 (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 1998.

24 **(END)**