LRB-1187/P3

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AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

## EDUCATION

## Primary and secondary education

Under current law, each school district must annually submit to DPI a report that includes the average number of pupils enrolled in the district on the third Friday of September and the second Friday of January. Current law permits the state superintendent to establish an alternative date on which to count pupils enrolled in the district in the event that the school district is unable to hold school on the designated dates.

This bill requires the state superintendent to accept an alternate counting date in the event that enrolled pupils will not be in attendance at the school because of a regularly scheduled holiday or for a reason approved by the school board. The bill establishes the alternate counting date as the third weekday that follows the next school day on which school is in session.

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

Section 1. $121.05(3 \mathrm{~m})$ of the statutes is created to read:
121.05 (3m) If pupils enrolled in a school will not be in attendance at the school on any of the dates specified in sub. (1) (a) or (2) because of a regularly scheduled holiday or for a reason approved by the school board, the state superintendent shall permit the membership counting date to occur on the 3rd weekday that follows the next school day on which school is in session.

SECTION 2. 121.83 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:
121.83 (1) (a) 2. If the agency of service counts the pupil under s. 121.05 (1) (a) or (2), or on an alternate counting date under s. 121.05 (3) or (3m), state general aid shall be subtracted.

SECTION 3. 121.90 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
121.90 (1) (intro.) "Number of pupils enrolled" means the number of pupils enrolled on the 3rd Friday of September, including pupils identified in s. 121.05 (1) (a) 1. to 11. and 13. and pupils enrolled and counted on an alternate counting date under s. 121.05 (3) or (3m), and the number of pupils attending the Challenge Academy program under s. 321.03 (1) (c) in the previous spring session, except that "number of pupils enrolled" excludes the number of pupils attending public school under s. s.s. 118.145 (4) and 118.53 and except as follows:
****Note: This is reconciled s. 121.90 (1) (intro.). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers: LRB-1187/P2 and LRB-1029/P5.
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