



State of Wisconsin
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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FOR 2021-2023 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE

HEALTH INSURANCE

Actuarial study of mandatory participation by school districts

This bill requires the Group Insurance Board to conduct a study of the potential costs and savings to school districts and current participants in group health insurance plans offered by GIB of mandating participation by all school districts in this state in a group health insurance plan offered by GIB. The bill also requires GIB to submit a written report of the study to the governor and JCF by June 30, 2022.

INSURANCE

HEALTH INSURANCE

Mandatory participation by school districts in state group health insurance plan

This bill requires the commissioner of insurance to create a task force to develop an implementation plan for mandatory participation by school districts in a group health insurance plan offered by the Group Insurance Board. The task force consists of 13 members appointed by the governor, including a representative from each of the following entities: OCI, DOA, DPI, and ETF. The task force also includes one administrator of a school district, one business official of a school district, one

member of a school board, one official of a public employee union, three employees of public schools, and one representative of a health plan. Under the bill, the commissioner of insurance and the secretary of employee trust funds are required to consult with the task force and review an actuarial study conducted by GIB and develop a plan to implement mandatory participation by school districts in a group health insurance plan offered by GIB, by January 1, 2024. Finally, under the bill, the commissioner of insurance and the secretary of employee trust funds are required to provide the implementation plan to the governor and JCF no later than December 31, 2022.

For further information see the state and local 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. 20.515 (1) (x) of the statutes is created to read:

20.515 (1) (x) *Study of mandatory participation by school districts.* From moneys credited to the public employee trust fund administrative account under s. 40.04 (2), biennially, the amounts in the schedule for a study of mandatory participation by school districts in a group health insurance plan offered by the group insurance board under 2021 Wisconsin Act ... (this act), section 9113 (1).

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 9113. Nonstatutory provisions; Employee Trust Funds.

(1) ACTUARIAL STUDY BY GROUP INSURANCE BOARD. The group insurance board, in consultation with the actuary selected under s. 40.03 (1) (d) to perform actuarial services for group health insurance plans offered by the group insurance board, shall conduct a study of the potential costs and savings to school districts and current plan participants if all Wisconsin school districts are required to participate in a group health insurance plan offered by the group insurance board. No later than June 30, 2022, the group insurance board shall submit a written report of the study to the governor and the joint committee on finance.

SECTION 9123. Nonstatutory provisions; Insurance.

(1) SCHOOL DISTRICT GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE TASK FORCE.

(a) The commissioner of insurance shall establish a committee called the "School District Group Health Insurance Task Force." The task force shall consist of the following members appointed by the governor:

1. One representative from the office of the commissioner of insurance.
2. One representative from the department of administration.
3. One representative from the department of public instruction.
4. One representative from the department of employee trust funds.
5. One administrator of a school district.
6. One business official of a school district.
7. One member of a school board.
8. One official of a public employee union.
9. Three employees of public schools.
10. One representative of a health plan.

(b) The representative from the office of the commissioner of insurance shall be the chairperson of the task force.

(c) Based on consultation with the task force, and review of the actuarial report required under SECTION 9113 (1) of this act, the commissioner of insurance and the secretary of employee trust funds shall develop an implementation plan, which, if enacted, would require all school districts in this state to participate in a group health insurance program offered by the group insurance board by January 1, 2024.

(d) The commissioner of insurance and the secretary of employee trust funds shall submit the implementation plan to the governor and the joint committee of finance by December 31, 2022.

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