

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2003 Assembly Bill 331	Assembly Amendment 1
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*Current law* provides that the members of the board of school directors of a first class city school district (currently only the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS)) are paid an annual salary in the amount set by the board. The salary is paid monthly. [s. 119.12 (3), Stats.]

2003 Assembly Bill 331 provides that, on the first day of July following publication of the enacted bill, the president of the board's annual salary is \$18,670 and the annual salary of the other board members is \$18,121.

The board may vote to increase the salary of board members, but an increase would not apply during a board member's term of office because the bill provides that, for board members elected on or after the effective date of the bill, a board member's salary may not exceed the salary provided when the member took office. (The regular term of office for MPS board members is four years.)

Assembly Amendment 1 to the bill deletes the provision in the bill setting the salary levels on July 1 following publication. The amendment retains the provision in the bill that the board may vote an increase in the salary of board members. The amendment also retains the provision in the bill that, for board members elected on or after the effective date of the bill, a board member's salary may not exceed the salary provided when the member took office.

## <u>Legislative History</u>

Assembly Amendment 1 to the bill was offered by the Assembly Committee on Education Reform which then recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0. The committee recommended the bill, as amended, for passage on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

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