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2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 593

November 20, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives Bies, Meyer, Brooks, Lothian, Mursau, A. Ott, Townsend and Vos, cosponsored by Senator A. Lasee. Referred to Committee on Education.

- AN ACT to amend 73.0305; and to create 121.105 (4) of the statutes; relating
- 2 **to:** special adjustment aid to school districts.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, a school district's state aid amount in any school year is guaranteed to equal at least 85 percent of the state aid amount that the school district received in the previous school year.

This bill provides that, beginning in the 2010–11 school year, a school district's state aid amount in any school year is also guaranteed to equal at least \$1,000 multiplied by the number of pupils enrolled in the school district in the previous school year. The \$1,000 per pupil amount is increased each year by the increase in the consumer price index.

The bill does not appropriate additional funds to achieve the result described above; instead, state aid to all school districts is redistributed to achieve that result.

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:

- 3 **Section 1.** 73.0305 of the statutes, as affected by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28, is
- 4 amended to read:

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73.0305 Revenue limits and aid calculations. The department of revenue shall annually determine and certify to the state superintendent of public instruction, no later than the 4th Monday in June, the allowable rate of increase under s. 121.105 (4) and subch. VII of ch. 121. The allowable rate of increase is the percentage change, if not negative, in the consumer price index for all urban consumers, U.S. city average, between the preceding March 31 and the 2nd preceding March 31, as computed by the federal department of labor.

Section 2. 121.105 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

121.105 (4) (a) Subject to par. (b), beginning in the 2010–11 school year, if a school district would receive less in state aid in the current school year, before any adjustment is made under s. 121.15 (4) (b), than an amount determined by multiplying its membership in the previous school year by the following amount, the school district's state aid for the current school year shall be increased to the amount determined by multiplying its membership in the previous school year by the following amount:

- 1. In the 2010-11 school year, \$1,000.
- 2. In the 2011–12 school year and in each school year thereafter, the amount paid to school districts per member under this subsection in the previous school year multiplied by the sum of 1.0 plus the allowable rate of increase under s. 73.0305 expressed as a decimal.
- (b) A school district is eligible to receive additional aid under par. (a) only if the additional aid does not result in a state aid payment greater than the school district's shared cost.