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2015 SENATE BILL 129

April 20, 2015 - Introduced by Senator Harsdorf, cosponsored by Representative Jarchow. Referred to Committee on Education Reform and Government Operations.

AN ACT *to create* 115.385 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:** school district accountability reports.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) publishes an annual accountability report for each school district that measures the school district's improvement. DPI must include in the accountability report certain information about schools in the school district. Current law provides that a virtual charter school is considered to be located in the school district governed by the school board that contracted to establish the virtual charter school. If a virtual charter school is established by more than one school board, the virtual charter school is considered to be located in the school district agreed to by the school boards that established the virtual charter school.

Under the bill, DPI is prohibited from including in a school district's accountability report information about a virtual charter school located in the school district if at least 50 percent of the pupils attending the virtual charter school are nonresident pupils attending the virtual charter school under open enrollment.

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

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115.385 (3) For purposes of measuring a school district's improvement under
sub. (1), the department may not include data derived from a virtual charter school
that is considered to be located in the school district under s. 118.51 (18) if at least
50 percent of the pupils attending the virtual charter school are attending under s.
118.51.

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