



2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 398

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- 1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 252.04 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:** including information
2 about immunization waivers in enrollment or admission materials for schools,
3 child care centers, and nursery schools.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a student admitted to elementary, middle, junior, or senior high school, a child care center, or a nursery school must, within 30 days of admission, present evidence of having completed the first immunization for each vaccine required for the student's grade and being on schedule for the remainder of the basic and booster immunization series for certain diseases. This immunization requirement is waived, however, if the student or the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian instead submits a written statement to the school, child care center, or nursery school objecting to the immunization for reasons of health, religion, or personal conviction. Under current law, at the time a school, child care center, or nursery school notifies a student, parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the immunization requirement, the school, child care center, or nursery school must also inform the student, parent, guardian, or legal custodian of their right to a waiver from the immunization requirement. Under this bill, a school, child care center, or nursery school must provide a procedure for presenting the waiver to the school, child care center, or nursery school with each health-related form it requires

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a student, parent, guardian, or legal custodian to complete before the student may be enrolled or admitted.

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

SECTION 1. 252.04 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

252.04 (3) The immunization requirement is waived if the student, if an adult, or the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian submits a written statement to the school, child care center, or nursery school objecting to the immunization for reasons of health, religion, or personal conviction. At the time any school, child care center, or nursery school notifies a student, parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the immunization requirements, it shall inform the person in writing of the person's right to a waiver under this subsection. A school, child care center, or nursery school shall provide a procedure for presenting the waiver to the school, child care center, or nursery school with each health-related form it requires a student, parent, guardian, or legal custodian to complete before the student may be enrolled or admitted.

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