



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

LRB-0558/1
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2023 BILL

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 120.02 (3) (e); and *to create* 120.02 (3) (e) 2.
2 of the statutes; **relating to:** reducing the number of members on the school
3 board of a consolidated school district.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the NOTES provided by the Joint Legislative Council in the bill.

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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This bill was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Study Committee on Shared School District Services.

Under current law, whenever a school district with more than 3 school board members votes to reduce the number of school board members, it must do so one member at a time. Board membership is then reduced by the district electing one less school board member annually until the school board is reduced to the approved number of members.

The bill creates an exception to this requirement specifically for a consolidated school district during the first 7 years after consolidation takes effect. Under the bill, if a school district created by consolidation with more than 5 school board members votes to reduce the number of board members during the first 7 years following consolidation, 2 fewer school board members may be elected annually until the board is reduced to the approved number of members, but at least one member must be elected each year.

