State of Wisconsin

2021 WISCONSIN ACT 34

AN ACT *to amend* 7.30 (2) (am) and 118.15 (3) (d) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing a pupil enrolled in a home−based private educational program to serve as an election inspector.

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

SECTION 1. 7.30 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

7.30 **(2)** (am) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, a pupil who is 16 or 17 years of age and who is enrolled in grades 9 to 12 in a public or private school, in a home−based private educational program, as defined in s. 115.001 (3g), or in a tribal school, as defined in s. 115.001 (15m), may serve as an inspector at the polling place serving the pupil's residence, with the approval of the pupil's parent or guardian. Any pupil who has at least a 3.0 grade point average or the equivalent may serve. In addition, a school board, governing body of a private school, as defined in s. 115.001 (3d), or tribal school, or administrator of a home−based private educational program may establish criteria for service by a pupil who does not have at least a 3.0 grade point average or the equivalent. A pupil may serve as an inspector at a polling place under this paragraph only if at least one election official at the polling place other than the chief inspector is a qualified elector of this state. No pupil may serve as chief inspector at a polling place under this paragraph. Before appointment by any municipality of a pupil as an inspector under this paragraph, the municipal clerk shall obtain written authorization from the pupil's parent or guardian for the pupil to serve for the election for which

he or she is appointed. In addition, if a pupil does not have at least a 3.0 grade point average or the equivalent, the municipal clerk shall obtain written certification from the principal of the school where the pupil is enrolled, or the administrator of the home−based private educational program in which the pupil is enrolled, that the pupil meets any criteria established by the school board or, governing body, or administrator of the home−based private educational program for service as an inspector. Upon appointment of a pupil to serve as an inspector, the municipal clerk shall notify the principal of the school where the pupil is enrolled, or the administrator of the home−based private educational program in which the pupil is enrolled, of the name of the pupil and the date of the election at which the pupil has been appointed to serve.

SECTION 2. 118.15 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.15 **(3)** (d) Any child excused in writing by his or her parent or guardian and by the principal of the school that the child attends, or by the administrator of the home−based private educational program in which the child is enrolled, for the purpose of serving as an election official under s. 7.30 (2) (am). A Except as provided in s. 7.30 (2) (am), a principal or administrator may not excuse a child under this paragraph unless the child has at least a 3.0 grade point average or the equivalent. The principal or administrator shall allow the child to take

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* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

examinations and complete course work missed during the child's absences under this paragraph. The principal <u>or administrator</u> shall promptly notify the municipal clerk or the board of election commissioners of the municipality that appointed the child as an election offi-

cial if the child ceases to be enrolled in school <u>or in a</u> <u>home−based private educational program</u> or if the child no longer has at least a 3.0 grade point average or the equivalent.