



1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 394

June 24, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives SPILLNER, OLSEN, KLUSMAN, STONE, KESTELL, BRANDEMUEHL, FREESE, AINSWORTH, GOETSCH, MONTGOMERY, HAHN, GROTHMAN, WARD, M. LEHMAN, OWENS, HUNDERTMARK, NASS and POWERS, cosponsored by Senators ROESSLER, ROSENZWEIG, SCHULTZ and HUELSMAN. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 115.76 (3) and 115.762 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:** the
2 eligible ages for special education.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current state law, a local educational agency (typically, a school district) must make available a free appropriate public education to persons with disabilities who are at least three years old but not yet 22 years old and who have not graduated from high school.

This bill lowers the upper age limit to 21 years and includes, for the duration of a school term, any person who becomes 21 years old during that school term.

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.** 115.76 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 115.76 (3) "Child" means any person who is at least 3 years old but not yet 22
5 21 years old and who has not graduated from high school and, for the duration of a
6 school term, any person who becomes 21 years old during that school term and who
7 has not graduated from high school.

