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Details: Public Hearing - August 23, 2007

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**WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ...
PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS**

2007-08

(session year)

Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

Committee on ... Education (SC-Ed)

COMMITTEE NOTICES ...

- Committee Reports ... **CR**
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INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

- Appointments ... **Appt**
- Clearinghouse Rules ... **CRule**
- Hearing Records ... bills and resolutions
 - (**ab** = Assembly Bill) (**ar** = Assembly Resolution)
 - (**sb** = Senate Bill) (**sr** = Senate Resolution)
 - (**ajr** = Assembly Joint Resolution)
 - (**sjr** = Senate Joint Resolution)
- Miscellaneous ... **Misc**

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Vote Record Committee on Education

Date: 9/13/2007

Moved by: Hansen

Seconded by: Olsen

AB _____

SB 249

Clearinghouse Rule _____

AJR _____

SJR _____

Appointment _____

AR _____

SR _____

Other _____

A/S Amdt _____

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Be recommended for:

- Passage
 Adoption
 Confirmation
 Concurrence
 Indefinite Postponement
 Introduction
 Rejection
 Tabling
 Nonconcurrence

Committee Member

Senator John Lehman, Chair

Aye No Absent Not Voting

Senator Jon Erpenbach

Senator David Hansen

Senator Pat Kreitlow

Senator Luther Olsen

Senator Glenn Grothman

Senator Mary Lazich

Totals: 7 0 0 0

Motion Carried

Motion Failed



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State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

Elizabeth Burmaster, State Superintendent

Senate Committee on Education
August 23, 2007

Department of Public Instruction Testimony on 2007 Senate Bill 249

Thank you Chairperson Lehman and members of the committee. My name is Jennifer Kammerud. I am the legislative liaison for the Department of Public Instruction and am here today to testify in favor of Senate Bill 249 (SB 249).

The department requested this language change as we needed to clarify that local, state, federal, or other authorized sources of funding may be used to pay advanced placement and International Baccalaureate exam costs for low-income students. The U.S. Department of Education has taken our current statutory language to mean that only state or local funds should pay for these exams. This has prevented the state from receiving federal grants for advanced placement exams. In 2006 the state was denied \$100,000. This year \$140,000 was denied as our statutory language had not changed. The \$140,000 would have paid for 1,500 advanced placement exams at a rate of \$83 per exam and 95 International Baccalaureate exams at the rate of \$120 each for students who are economically disadvantaged.

It is important to expand access to advanced placement courses and tests. For many students the costs of these exams represent a significant barrier to taking the coursework.

The next round of grants will be given out in January. We would like to be eligible for these grants in 2008 and believe that these funds may be available to Wisconsin school districts if this legislation is adopted.

Thank you. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.