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INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

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- Miscellaneous ... **Misc**

- Brad Lutes, Sun Prairie — WEAC
- Buzz Soderman, Dalton — WEAC
- Allison Kaplan, Madison — WEMTA
- Todd Alan Price — Dr.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Mike Endsley, Sheboygan — Rep, 26th Assembly District

Registrations Against

- Mark Lea, Lake Mills
- Sara Sahli, Madison — American Cancer Society
- Greta Johnson, Edgerton — American Cancer Society
- Lynn Nicklas, Lodi
- Jeannine Ramsey, Madison
- Laura Chern, Madison
- Gloria Waity, Madison
- Charles Waity, Madison
- Connor Donegan, Wauwatosa
- Joanne Juhnke, Madison
- Michael Blumenfeld, Madison — WEMTA

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

June 7, 2011

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (7) Senators Olsen, Vukmir, Grothman, Darling,
Jauch, Vinehout and C. Larson.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Vukmir, seconded by Senator Darling that
Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Substitute Amendment 1 be
recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (7) Senators Olsen, Vukmir, Grothman, Darling,
Jauch, Vinehout and C. Larson.
Noes: (0) None.

ADOPTION OF SENATE AMENDMENT 1 TO SENATE
SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1 RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7,
Noes 0

Moved by Senator Vukmir, seconded by Senator Olsen that **Senate Substitute Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (6) Senators Olsen, Vukmir, Grothman, Darling,
Jauch and Vinehout.

Noes: (1) Senator C. Larson.

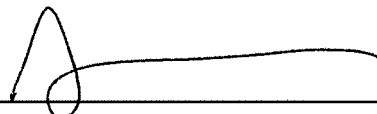
ADOPTION OF SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1
RECOMMENDED, Ayes 6, Noes 1

Moved by Senator Vukmir, seconded by Senator Olsen that **Senate Bill 95** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (4) Senators Olsen, Vukmir, Grothman and
Darling.

Noes: (3) Senators Jauch, Vinehout and C. Larson.

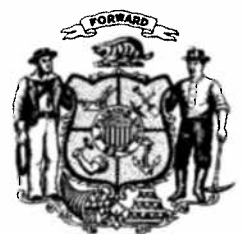
PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 3



Sarah Archibald
Committee Clerk



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Talking Points on SB 95 Mandate Relief Bill

- The provisions of SB 95 are listed below, along with some explanations that may be helpful in explaining the rationale behind the items included in this bill.

1 - In the semester in which a student is a participant in a high school sport, that sport can count as the student's **phy ed credit**.

- The bill only gives districts the option to institute a policy. It does not require them to do so. Arguments as to whether a coach should be licensed or how the team sport participation would be graded would be up to the school districts.
- The vast majority of athletes who would be eligible for such a policy would elect to take gym class anyways because it's fun and/or an "easy A".
- This can be a tool for high academic achievers who are also athletes to take more AP credit classes as opposed to gym. At the same time it could offer flexibility for a struggling student/athlete to get the needed credits for graduation.

2 - Explicitly authorizes a school district to contract for a variety of services, including orientation and mobility training, educational interpreters, audiologists, speech therapists, pupil transition services, and any services approved by the state superintendent of public instruction; and makes the costs of such a contract eligible for **special education aid**.

- Districts already had the ability to contract out for these services, which is particularly important in rural areas that may not have the necessary people on staff, but previously they were not able to pay for them with categorical dollars. This bill would allow them to do so.

3 - Under current law DPI must prorate state aid payments to school districts for **transportation costs** if the amount appropriated does not cover all eligible costs. Under this bill, if funds remain after DPI pays all approved claims, DPI must distribute the balance to school districts on a prorated basis.

4 - Current law allows a school district to use up to 25 percent of the money it receives from the **common school fund** in a fiscal year to purchase school library computers and related software. This bill eliminates the 25 percent limit and allows districts to decide how much they want to spend on library-related technology.

5 - This bill allows a school board to **use the results of standardized examinations to evaluate teachers** without the presence of the conditions described in current law.

- Under current law, the results of the WKCE standardized examinations may not be used to discharge, suspend, or formally discipline a teacher or as the reason for the nonrenewal of a teacher's contract.
- This bill provides that the results of standardized examinations may not be used as the *sole* reason to discharge, suspend, or formally discipline a teacher or as the *sole* reason for the nonrenewal of a teacher's contract.
- We are planning to amend this to add back the language specifying what makes up teacher evaluations.

6 - This bill eliminates the requirement that no more than **200 teaching days** be scheduled in the regular day school period in any school year for Milwaukee Public Schools.

- Some schools would like the flexibility to go year-round, but the union has previously blocked this proposal.

7 - This bill permits **SAGE flexibility** for a school board that has entered into or renewed a SAGE contract.

- Offering this flexibility will help maintain SAGE in schools that might otherwise be forced to drop out of the program for financial reasons.
- We are going to amend the bill to require K-1 compliance and offer flexibility in grades 2 & 3 and ensure that schools only get funding for the grades they reduce.

8 - This bill authorizes a school board to refuse to enroll a pupil during the term of the **pupil's expulsion from a public school in another state** if the grounds for the pupil's expulsion would have been grounds for expulsion in this state.

9 - This bill permits a school district to use **law enforcement records** as the sole basis for taking action against a pupil under the district's athletic code.

10 - This bill provides that, in years in which a November general election is held, the school **levy certification date** is moved from November 6 to November 10.

- We are going to amend the bill to simply change the levy cert date to Nov 10 every year.