State of Misconsin



2021 Senate Bill 110

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2021 WISCONSIN ACT 19

AN ACT *to amend* 118.51 (3) (a) 1. and 118.51 (3m) (a); and *to create* 118.51 (3) (a) 1d. of the statutes; **relating to:** applications for full-time open enrollment.

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

SECTION 1. 118.51 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

118.51 (3) (a) 1. The parent of a pupil who wishes to attend a public school in a nonresident school district under this section shall submit an application, on a form provided by the department under sub. (15) (a), to the school board of the nonresident school district that the pupil wishes to attend, not earlier than the first Monday in February and not later than the last weekday in April of the school year immediately preceding the school year in which the pupil wishes to attend. Applications Except as provided in subd. 1d., applications may be submitted to no more than 3 nonresident school boards in any school year. The nonresident school board shall send a copy of the application to the pupil's resident school board and the department by the end of the first weekday following the last weekday in April. The application may include a request to attend a specific school or program offered by the nonresident school district.

SECTION 2. 118.51 (3) (a) 1d. of the statutes is created to read:

118.51 (3) (a) 1d. For purposes of determining whether applications have been submitted to more than 3 nonresident school boards, the department may not

count an application submitted to a nonresident school board for a pupil to attend a virtual charter school.

SECTION 3. 118.51 (3m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.51 (**3m**) (a) Notwithstanding sub. (3), the parent of a pupil who wishes to attend a public school in a nonresident school district under this section may, in lieu of applying under sub. (3), submit an application under this subsection, on a form provided by the department under sub. (15) (a), to the school board of the nonresident school district that the pupil wants to attend if the pupil satisfies at least one of the criteria under par. (b). Applications may be submitted to no more than 3 nonresident school boards in any school year. For purposes of determining whether applications have been submitted to more than 3 nonresident school boards, the department may not count an application submitted to a nonresident school board for a pupil to attend a virtual charter school.

SECTION 4. Initial applicability.

(1) The treatment of s. 118.51 (3) (a) 1. and 1d. first applies to an application submitted under s. 118.51 (3) (a) for the school year beginning after the effective date of this subsection.

(2) The treatment of s. 118.51 (3m) (a) first applies to an application submitted under s. 118.51 (3m) on the effective date of this subsection.

^{*} 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."