

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 121 [2005 Senate Bill 361]

Department of Public Instruction (Remedial Legislation)

2005 Wisconsin Act 121 makes two statutory changes as a result of remedial legislation requested by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and introduced by the Law Revision Committee.

First, certain individuals applying to DPI for a license are required to be fingerprinted. Prior law required that this be done on two fingerprint cards. The Act allows the use of technologies approved by law enforcement agencies other than fingerprint cards for the fingerprinting.

Second, the Act amends the statutes to reflect the change in name of an organization that recommends one of the members of the Professional Standards Council for Teachers. The Act provides that the Council's membership includes one person who is licensed as a teacher, actively employed in a private school, and recommended by the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools. (Prior law referred to a person recommended by the Wisconsin Association of Nonpublic Schools, which has changed its name to the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools.)

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/.