

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2003 Senate Bill 212

Senate Amendment 1

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Under current law, with certain exceptions, a technical college district board is required to hold a referendum if it intends to make a capital expenditure in excess of \$1,000,000. This requirement does not apply to a capital expenditure to purchase or construct an applied technology center if: (a) the State Technical College System Board approves; (b) the total amount of the expenditure is no more than \$5,000,000; and (c) the expenditure is made before July 1, 2003.

Senate Bill 212 eliminates the restriction that requires the expenditure to be made before July 1, 2003.

Senate Amendment 1 reinstates a date restriction in the statute relating to applied technology centers. Under the amendment, expenditures for applied technology centers must be made before July 1, 2006.

Senate Bill 212 was introduced on July 16, 2003 by Senator Kanavas and others, cosponsored by Representative Stone and others and referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Tourism. A public hearing was held on the bill on July 16, 2003. Senator Harsdorf introduced Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 212 on September 3, 2003. At an executive session held on September 10, 2003, the committee voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 5, Noes, 0; and the committee recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 5, Noes, 0.

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