

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Senate Bill 253	Senate Amendment 1
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2017 SENATE BILL 253

Under current law, any license granted by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction may be revoked for immoral conduct. This bill provides that it is immoral conduct for a licensee to assist a school employee, contractor, or agent to obtain a new job if the licensee knows, or has a reasonable suspicion to believe, that the person committed a sex offense against a student or a minor. In addition, the bill prohibits a school board (or operator of a charter school, or governing body of a private school) from helping a school employee, contractor, or agent obtain a new job if the entity knows, or has a reasonable suspicion to believe, that the person committed a sex offense against a student or a minor.

The bill specifies that it is not immoral conduct to transmit administrative personnel files, nor to assist someone after the information that forms the basis of the knowledge or reasonable suspicion of a sex offense has been properly reported to law enforcement, if law enforcement closed any resulting case or investigation without a conviction.

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The amendment limits the bill so that its provision would apply to assisting someone to obtain a new job in a school or with a local education agency, as opposed to any new job.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Olsen on September 12, 2017. On September 28, 2017, the Senate Committee on Education recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0. On the same day, the committee recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0.

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