## 2011 SENATE BILL 179

September 13, 2011 - Introduced by Senators Lassa, Ellis and Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives Bernard Schaber, Grigsby, Pope-Roberts, Berceau, Bernier, Bewley, Hulsey, Pasch, Ringhand and Sinicki. Referred to Committee on Education.

AN ACT to amend 48.65 (2) (b); and to create 48.65 (2) (bm) of the statutes; relating to: requiring a private school that provides child care for children under three years of age to be licensed to operate a child care center.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person may for compensation provide care and supervision for four or more children under seven years of age for less than 24 hours a day unless that person obtains a license to operate a child care center from the Department of Children and Families. Certain persons, however, including parochial schools, are exempt from this requirement. This bill requires a private school that provides such care and supervision for children under three years of age to obtain a license to operate a child care center.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 48.65 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
48.65 (2) (b) A public or parochial school or a tribal school.

SECTION 2. 48.65 (2) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:
48.65 (2) (bm) A private school, as defined in s. 115.001 (3r), unless the private school provides care and supervision for children under 3 years of age.

## SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) Child care licensing of private schools. This act first applies to a private school, as defined in section 115.001 (3r) of the statutes, that provides care and supervision for a child under 3 years of age on the effective date of this subsection.

