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2013 SENATE BILL 258

August 21, 2013 – Introduced by Senators Farrow, Darling, L. Taylor, Harsdorf, Lehman, Grothman and Risser, cosponsored by Representatives Ripp, Wright, Thiesfeldt, Berceau, Pridemore, Ringhand, Nass, Murphy, Brooks, Spiros, Craig, Strachota, Ohnstad and Endsley. Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services.

AN ACT to renumber 118.293 (3); and to create 118.293 (3) (b) of the statutes; relating to: the distribution by schools of a concussion and head injury information sheet and the participation by pupils in a youth athletic activity.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person operating a "youth athletic activity," generally defined as an organized athletic activity in which a majority of the participants are under 19 years of age, must distribute to participants at the start of the season for that activity a concussion and head injury information sheet. No person may participate in the activity unless he or she returns the information sheet signed by the person and, if he or she is under the age of 19, by his or her parent or guardian.

This bill provides that a public or private school is not required to distribute an information sheet to a pupil who wishes to participate in a youth athletic activity operated by the school during a school year, and that a pupil may participate in that youth athletic activity without returning the information sheet for that activity, if the pupil returned an appropriately signed information sheet for another youth athletic activity operated by the school during the same school year.

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

SECTION 1. 118.293 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 118.293 (3) (a).

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Section 2. 118.293 (3) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

118.293 (3) (b) Notwithstanding par. (a), a public or private school is not required to distribute an information sheet to a pupil enrolled in the school who wishes to participate in a youth athletic activity operated by the school during a school year, and a pupil enrolled in the school may participate in that youth athletic activity without returning an appropriately signed information sheet for that activity, if the pupil has returned an appropriately signed information sheet for another youth athletic activity operated by the school during the same school year.

9 (END)