



State of Wisconsin
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2017 SENATE BILL 786

February 7, 2018 - Introduced by Senators NASS and TESTIN, cosponsored by Representatives PETRYK, KUGLITSCH, KULP and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT to create** 118.027 of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing certain youth
2 membership organizations to speak to pupils during the school day.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires a principal of a public school, including an independent charter school, and a principal of a private school participating in a parental choice program or the Special Needs Scholarship Program to allow a representative of certain youth membership organizations identified as patriotic societies under federal law the opportunity to speak to pupils at the school about how the representative's organization supports educational interests and civic engagement. Under the bill, the principal may limit the opportunity to speak at the school to one school day during the school term. The specific youth membership organizations entitled to an opportunity to speak to pupils under this bill are Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of the United States of America, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, and National Future Farmers of America.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.027 of the statutes is created to read:
4 **118.027 Youth membership organizations; patriotic societies.** (1) In
5 this section:

SENATE BILL 786**SECTION 1**

1 (a) "School" means a public school, including a charter school authorized under
2 s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x), and a private school participating in a program under s.
3 115.7915, 118.60, or 119.23.

4 (b) "Youth membership organization" means an organization identified in
5 chapter 301, 309, 311, 709, or 803 of title 36 of the United States Code.

6 **(2)** Beginning in the 2018-19 school year, upon receiving a notice under sub.

7 **(3)** (a), the principal of a school shall provide a representative of a youth membership
8 organization the opportunity to speak with pupils attending the school during a
9 school day at the beginning of the school term for the purpose of providing
10 information about how the youth membership organization supports educational
11 interests and civic involvement. The principal may limit the opportunity to speak
12 at the school under this subsection to one school day during the school term. A
13 representative of a youth membership organization who speaks to pupils at a school
14 under this subsection may provide written materials about the youth membership
15 organization to the pupils attending the school.

16 **(3)** (a) A youth membership organization that intends to speak to pupils at a
17 school during the school day shall provide written or verbal notice to the principal
18 of the school prior to the beginning of the school term.

19 (b) A principal who receives a notice under par. (a) shall provide written or
20 verbal approval to the youth membership organization that includes the date and
21 time during which the principal will provide a representative of the youth
22 membership organization the opportunity to speak to pupils at the school.

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