



2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 1016

January 25, 2024 - Introduced by Representatives PENTERMAN, ROZAR, HURD, BEHNKE, SCHMIDT, O'CONNOR, MURSAU, MELOTIK, GOEBEN, EDMING and S. JOHNSON, cosponsored by Senators TOMCZYK, CABRAL-GUEVARA and COWLES. Referred to Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care.

1 **AN ACT to create** 118.07 (1m) of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring public and
2 private schools to offer a minimum amount of physical activity each week.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under this bill, beginning in the 2024-25 school year, public schools, including independent charter schools, and private schools participating in a parental choice program must offer at least 180 minutes of physical activity each week to pupils in kindergarten to eighth grade. Under the bill, physical activity is defined as participation in exercise, sports, recreation, wellness, or fitness activities. The bill specifies that physical activity may occur during recess, physical education class, school-sponsored athletics, or any other school-sponsored activity.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.07 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:
4 118.07 (1m) (a) In this subsection, “physical activity” means participation in
5 exercise, sports, games, recreation, wellness, or fitness activities. “Physical activity”
6 includes participation during recess, physical education class, school-sponsored
7 athletics, or any other school-sponsored activity.

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SECTION 1

1 (b) Every school board, governing body of a private school participating in a
2 program under s. 118.60 or 119.23, and governing board of a charter school shall
3 ensure that during each week of a school term at least 180 minutes of physical
4 activity is offered to pupils in the elementary grades during school hours. This
5 paragraph does not apply to a school board, governing body of a private school
6 participating in a program under s. 118.60 or 119.23, or governing board of a charter
7 school that does not operate elementary grades.

8 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

9 (1) This act first applies to the 2024-25 school year.

10 (END)