

2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 637

December 21, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives PRIDEMORE, JESKEWITZ, ZIEGELBAUER, ZIPPERER, VOS, LEMAHIEU, VUKMIR, HONADEL, LOTHIAN, KLEEFISCH and STRACHOTA, cosponsored by Senators DARLING and GROTHMAN. Referred to Committee on Education Reform.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 119.23 (2) (a) (intro.) and 119.23 (7) (d) 1. of the statutes;
 2 **relating to:** allowing certain private schools located outside the city of
 3 Milwaukee to participate in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under the current Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP), certain low-income pupils who reside in the city of Milwaukee may attend participating private schools located in the city of Milwaukee at state expense.

This bill allows private schools that are located outside the city of Milwaukee but within Milwaukee County, and that operate grades nine to twelve, to participate in the MPCP for the attendance of pupils in those grades. The bill does not make nonresidents of the city of Milwaukee eligible for the MPCP.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 119.23 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
 5 119.23 **(2)** (a) (intro.) Subject to par. (b), any pupil in grades kindergarten to 12
 6 who resides within the city may attend, at no charge, any grade from kindergarten
 7 to 12 at a private school located in the city, and any pupil in grades 9 to 12 who resides

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1 within the city may attend, at no charge, any grade from 9 to 12 at a private school
2 located outside the city but within Milwaukee County, if all of the following apply:

3 **SECTION 2.** 119.23 (7) (d) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

4 119.23 (7) (d) 1. A copy of the school's current certificate of occupancy issued
5 by the city, village, or town in which the private school is located. If the private school
6 moves to a new location, the private school shall submit to the department a copy of
7 the new certificate of occupancy issued by the city ~~to the department, village, or town~~
8 in which the private school is located before the attendance of pupils at the new
9 location and before the next succeeding date specified in s. 121.05 (1) (a). A
10 temporary certificate of occupancy does not meet the requirement of this subdivision.

11 **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

12 (1) This act first applies to participation in the Milwaukee Parental Choice
13 Program in the 2008–09 school year.

14 (END)