2015 Wisconsin Act 72

An Act to amend 118.60 (2) (be) 2.; and to create 118.60 (2) (be) 2m. of the statutes; relating to: the pupil participation limit in the statewide parental choice program.

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

Section 1. 118.60 (2) (be) 2. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

118.60 (2) (be) 2. Beginning Except as provided in subd. 2m., beginning with the 2015–16 school year and ending with the 2025–26 school year, the total number of pupils residing in a school district, other than an eligible school district or a 1st class city school district, who may attend a private school under this section during a school year may not exceed the school district’s pupil participation limit for that school year.

Section 2. 118.60 (2) (be) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

118.60 (2) (be) 2m. A pupil who resides in a school district, other than an eligible school district or a 1st class city school district, may attend a private school under this section if all of the following apply:

a. The pupil attended a private school under par. (bm) in the previous school year.

b. The department determines that the total number of applications from pupils residing in the pupil’s resident school district exceeded the pupil’s resident school district’s pupil participation limit.

c. The pupil’s application to attend a private school under this section was not accepted under the random process utilized by the department.

d. The private school to which the pupil applied to attend under this section has not exceeded its maximum general capacity or seating capacity.

Section 3. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to pupils applying to attend a private school under the statewide parental choice program for the 2015–16 school year.

* Section 991.11, Wisconsin Statutes: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication.”