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2021 Wisconsin Act 215[2021 Senate Bill 828]

Administration of Online Early Learning Pilot Program

BACKGROUND

2019 Wisconsin Act 170 requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to award a three-year contract (from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2023) to a service provider to administer an online early learning pilot program to low-income children who reside in the following school districts:

- 1. A first class city school district (Milwaukee Public Schools).
- 2. The two urban school districts with the largest reading achievement gaps, as defined by DPI.
- 3. Three rural school districts, selected by DPI, that have reading achievement gaps.

2021 WISCONSIN ACT 215

2021 Wisconsin Act 215 allows the service provider, during the 2022-23 school year, to extend administration of the program to low-income children in school districts other than those specified under Act 170, after giving first preference to low-income children who reside in the school districts specified in Act 170.

Effective date: April 1, 2022

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