

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Kretschmann, BB0339 - Participation in High School Graduation Ceremonies

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau EDUCATION

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Participation in high school graduation ceremonies

This bill prohibits a school board, charter school operator, or governing body of a private school participating in a parental choice program or the Special Needs Scholarship Program from excluding a pupil from a high school graduation ceremony due to the pupil's or the pupil's family's failure to pay any outstanding fees or charges. Under current law, pupil participation in high school graduation ceremonies is determined under school board, charter school, or private school policies.

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

SECTION 1. 118.33 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.33 (title) High school graduation standards and ceremonies; criteria for promotion.

SECTION 2. 118.33 (5c) of the statutes is created to read:

118.33 (**5c**) No school board, operator of a charter school, or governing body of a private school participating in a program under s. 115.7915, 118.60, or 119.23 may prohibit a pupil from participating in a high school graduation ceremony

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because the pupil or the pupil's family has failed to pay an amount owed to the school board, operator of the charter school, or governing body of the private school.

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