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2021 Wisconsin Act 89 [2021 Senate Bill 373]

Online Portal for School and District Financial Information

2021 Wisconsin Act 89 requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to create an online portal that displays financial data collected from all school districts, county children with disabilities education boards, and independent charter schools. This portal must be made available beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

Additionally, the Act creates an 11-person advisory committee to advise DPI in its development of the financial information portal. The Act requires this advisory committee to develop a report that includes recommendations on the categories of information that will be accessible to the public through the portal; the financial data that will be accessible to the public for each of those categories; the resources necessary to implement and maintain the portal; and recommendations regarding DPI's technological capacity for collecting data for the portal. The advisory committee's report and recommendations may not require school districts to make additional or specific investments in or replacement to the hardware, software, or systems school districts use to provide data to the department. This report must be submitted to DPI no later than February 1, 2023.

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