AN ACT relating to: school district budgets and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill increases the amount appropriated as general school aid in the 2013–14 and 2014–15 school years. The bill also delays the dates by which school districts must determine the amounts necessary to be raised to operate and maintain the schools in 2013 from November 1 to November 6.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) (a) Notwithstanding section 121.15 (4) (b) of the statutes, on October 31, 2013, using the most accurate data available, the state superintendent of public instruction shall calculate the total amount of state aid that each school district will receive in the 2013–14 school year. Notwithstanding section 121.15 (4) (b) of the statutes, any adjustments to that calculation shall be made by increasing or decreasing the payment made in September of the 2014–15 school year.
(b) Notwithstanding section 120.12 (3) and (4) of the statutes, for 2013 the references to November 1 in those sections are changed to November 6.

(c) Notwithstanding section 119.16 (8) (b) of the statutes, for 2013 the reference in that section to the first Monday in August is changed to November 6.

(d) Notwithstanding section 121.90 (2) (am) 1. of the statutes, for 2013 the reference to October 15 in that section is changed to October 31.

SECTION 2. Fiscal changes.

(1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under section 20.255 (2) (ac) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2013, the dollar amount is increased by $40,000,000 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for the purposes for which the appropriation is made. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under section 20.255 (2) (ac) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2013, the dollar amount is increased by $60,000,000 for the second fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.