



2013 SENATE BILL 76

March 13, 2013 – Introduced by Senators DARLING, VUKMIR, FARROW and GROTHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives KOOYENGA, HONADEL, J. OTT, KLEEFISCH, STONE, HUTTON, PRIDEMORE, SANFELIPPO and BALLWEG. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT to create** 118.40 (3) (f) of the statutes; **relating to:** contracts for
2 additional charter schools.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a school board may enter into a contract with an individual, group, business, or governmental body to establish a charter school, which operates with fewer constraints than traditional public schools. Current law also permits the University of Wisconsin (UW) Milwaukee, UW-Parkside, the Milwaukee Area Technical College, and the city of Milwaukee to operate charter schools (independent charter schools) directly or to contract for the operation of charter schools.

This bill requires a school board or other entity that has contracted with a person to operate a charter school to amend the contract or enter into a new contract with the operator to allow the operator to establish an additional charter school if, in the school report published by the Department of Public Instruction for the two most recent school years, each of the charter schools operated by the person in this state received a rating of “significantly exceeds expectations” or “exceeds expectations.”

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.40 (3) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

