

## News Release

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### Evers calls on governor to sign Senate Bill 293

MADISON — State Superintendent Tony Evers issued a statement today on the passage of Senate Bill 293 by both houses of the Legislature. The bill expands accountability provisions for voucher schools and makes technical changes to program administration.

“I’m pleased we could come together to adopt common sense policies to bring greater accountability to the state’s voucher programs. This bill expands the department’s authority to remove bad actors from the program, protects all students by enforcing background checks for school staff, and fixes the special needs voucher funding flaw that unfairly hurt public school kids. It also removes the outdated, ineffective law allowing voucher schools to monitor their own accountability standard.

“The additional changes will streamline the program for parents and the department while maintaining the current enrollment and income caps. That’s a win-win, and I urge the governor to sign the bill as soon as possible.”

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