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## SCHOOL OF CHOICE DESIGNATION

**House Bill 4001**

**Sponsor: Rep. Ron Jelinek**

**Committee: Education**

**Complete to 1-14-99**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4001 AS INTRODUCED 1-13-99**

House Bill 4001 would amend the State School Aid Act to extend from July 15 to September 30 the deadline for school of choice designation, and would set the procedures and allow for the enrollment of nonresident pupils in the second semester of the school year.

Specifically, if a school district determined during the first semester of a school year that it had positions available for enrollment by nonresident applicants residing in the same intermediate school district for the second semester, the district could accept applications and enroll pupils. House Bill 4001 would require that not later than two weeks before the end of the first semester, the district publish the grades, schools, and special programs, if any, for which enrollment for the second semester was available. During the last two weeks of the first semester, the district would accept applications. Then, by the beginning of the second semester, the district would decide which applicants could enroll, and notify the parents or legal guardians. The notification would be required to contain the date by which an applicant would have to enroll, and the procedures for enrollment. In addition, House Bill 4001 specifies that if deadlines similar to these had been established as a pilot program by the intermediate district, and those deadlines were not later than the deadlines in the bill, the districts within the intermediate district could continue to use their current deadlines.

House Bill 4001 also would require that a district give preference for enrollment to pupils who were enrolled in the district in the immediately preceding school year, or semester. Currently the law specifies a preference for the preceding school year.

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