

December 5, 2025

To The Honorable Members of the Senate:

I am vetoing Senate Bill 10 in its entirety.

This bill requires school boards and the governing boards of charter schools to allow military recruiters access to high schools, including common areas, during the school day or at school-sanctioned events, starting in the 2025-26 school year. School boards and the governing boards of charter schools would not be required to allow access to classrooms during instructional time, but the bill's new requirements would exceed existing federal requirements.

I am vetoing this bill in its entirety because I object to undermining local decision-making regarding when military recruiters may access high schools. I support and have great admiration for our armed forces, our service members and their families, and their sacrifices and service. By restricting the ability of locally elected school board officials, administrators, and school principals to determine when and how military recruiters access school common areas during the school day, the Legislature once again attempts to usurps local control. Additionally, federal law already requires schools receiving assistance through the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, including all school districts and independent charter schools in Wisconsin, to provide military recruiters with the same level of access to students as provided to higher education institutions and prospective employers. I support and have great admiration for our armed forces, our service members and their families, and their sacrifices and service.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Evers Governor