



2005 SENATE BILL 535

January 31, 2006 - Introduced by Senators S. FITZGERALD, OLSEN, DARLING, GROTHMAN, HARSDORF, A. LASEE, LAZICH, LEIBHAM, STEPP, TAYLOR, ZIEN and BROWN, cosponsored by Representatives KAUFERT, RHOADES, MONTGOMERY, NISCHKE, LEMAHIEU, LOEFFELHOLZ, HINES, J. FITZGERALD, MUSSER, OTT, MEYER, HUEBSCH, STRACHOTA, KERKMAN, OWENS, JESKEWITZ, ALBERS, GIELOW, WARD, STONE, HUNDERTMARK, MOULTON, VOS, F. LASEE, KREIBICH and TOWNS. Referred to Joint Committee on Finance.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** decreasing Medical Assistance reimbursement and
2 transferring moneys from the general fund to the Medical Assistance trust
3 fund.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Health and Family Services administers the Medical Assistance (MA) Program, under which persons with low income and few assets receive health care that is funded jointly by Wisconsin and the federal government.

This bill decreases the appropriation of general purpose revenues for MA by \$63,516,600 for fiscal year 2005-06 and by \$103,900 for fiscal year 2006-07. Further, the bill transfers from the general fund to the Medical Assistance trust fund \$51,364,200 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$25,383,900 in fiscal year 2006-07.

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:

4 **SECTION 1. Appropriation changes.**

5 (1) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT DECREASE. In the schedule under
6 section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of health

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1 and family services under section 20.435 (4) (b) of the statutes, as affected by the acts
2 of 2005, the dollar amount is decreased by \$63,516,600 for fiscal year 2005-06 and
3 the dollar amount is decreased by \$103,900 for fiscal year 2006-07 to decrease
4 funding for the purposes for which the appropriation is made

5 (2) TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND. There is
6 transferred from the general fund to the Medical Assistance trust fund \$51,364,200
7 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$25,383,900 in fiscal year 2006-07.

8 (3) EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE RULES OF PROCEEDINGS. Section 20.003
9 (4) of the statutes does not apply to the actions of the legislature in enacting this act.

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(END)