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## 2017 SENATE BILL 242

May 11, 2017 - Introduced by Senators OLSEN, CARPENTER, VINEHOUT, WIRCH, L. TAYLOR and BEWLEY, cosponsored by Representatives TITTL, HINTZ, NOVAK, MURPHY, KITCHENS, SUBECK, BERCEAU, SKOWRONSKI, E. BROOKS, SPIROS, MURSAU, SHANKLAND, CONSIDINE, CROWLEY, VRUWINK, KRUG, GENRICH, SPREITZER, JAGLER, RIEMER and C. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services.

1     **AN ACT to create** 20.435 (1) (cf) and 252.185 of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             communicable disease control and prevention funding.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to distribute funds to local health departments to use for communicable disease control and prevention measures, specifically, disease surveillance, contact tracing, staff development and training, improving communication among health care professionals, public education and outreach, and other infection control measures as required by law. Under the bill, DHS must take into consideration certain factors to establish an equitable allocation formula for the distribution of funds. The bill also requires each local health department to submit to DHS a financial statement regarding its use of funds received from DHS.

For further information see the ***state and local*** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3             **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
4             the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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2      (1) PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING, REGULATION,  
3                      AND DELIVERY

4      (cf) Communicable disease control

5                      and prevention                      GPR      C      2,500,000      2,500,000

6                      **SECTION 2.** 20.435 (1) (cf) of the statutes is created to read:

7                      20.435 (1) (cf) *Communicable disease control and prevention.* As a continuing  
8      appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for communicable disease control and  
9      prevention under s. 252.185.

10                      **SECTION 3.** 252.185 of the statutes is created to read:

11                      **252.185 Communicable disease control and prevention.** (1) From the  
12      appropriation under s. 20.435 (1) (cf), the department shall distribute moneys to local  
13      health departments to use for disease surveillance, contact tracing, staff  
14      development and training, improving communication among health care  
15      professionals, public education and outreach, and other infection control measures  
16      as required under this chapter. The department shall consider the following factors  
17      to establish an equitable allocation formula for the distribution of moneys under this  
18      section:

19                      (a) Base allocation, including at least some base amount for each local health  
20      department.

21                      (b) General population.

22                      (c) Target populations.

23                      (d) Risk factors.

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1 (e) Geographic area, including consideration of the size of the service area or  
2 the density of population, or both.

3 (2) By January 1, 2019, and biennially thereafter, each local health department  
4 shall submit to the division of the department that addresses public health issues a  
5 financial statement of its use of funds under this section.

6 **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

7 (1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after  
8 publication of the 2017 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

9 (END)