AN ACT to amend 150.001 (10), 456.01 (6), 655.001 (8) and 940.29 (7) of the statutes, relating to correcting improper cross-references concerning nursing homes.

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

SECTION 1. 150.001 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

150.001 (10) "Nursing homes" has the meaning ascribed in s. 50.02 (1) (a) provided in s. 50.01 (3).

SECTION 2. 456.01 (6) of the statutes, as affected by chapter .... (Senate Bill 176), laws of 1979, is amended to read:

456.01 (6) "Nursing home" has the same meaning as the term nursing home or medical institution under s. 50.01 and provided in s. 50.01 (3), plus includes all public medical institutions under ss. 49.14, 49.16 and 49.171.

SECTION 3. 655.001 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

655.001 (8) "Health care provider" means a medical or osteopathic physician licensed under ch. 448; a nurse anesthetist licensed or registered under ch. 441; a partnership comprised of such physicians or nurse anesthetists; a corporation owned by such physicians or nurse anesthetists and operated for the purposes of providing medical services; an operational cooperative sickness care plan organized under ss. 185.981 to 185.985 which directly provides services through salaried employees in its own facility; a hospital as defined by s. 50.33 (1) (a) and (c); or a nursing home as defined by s. §0.02 (1) (a) §0.01 (3) whose operations are combined as a single entity with a hospital subject to this section, whether or not the nursing home operations are physically separate from hospital operations. It excludes any state, county or municipal employee or federal employee covered under the federal tort claims act, as amended, who is acting within the scope of employment, and any facility exempted by s. §0.39 (3) or operated by any governmental agency, but any state, county or municipal employee or facility so excluded who would otherwise be included in this definition may petition in writing to be afforded the coverage provided by this chapter and upon filing the petition with the commissioner and paying the fee required under s. 655.27 (3) will be subject to this chapter.

SECTION 4. 940.29 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

940.29 (7) A nursing home as defined in s. §0.02 §0.01 (3).