



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 638

Assembly Amendment 1

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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 638

Assembly Bill 638 establishes a council in the Department of Health Services (DHS) to advise DHS on research, diagnosis, treatment, and education relating to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections, commonly referred to as PANDAS, and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, commonly referred to as PANS. Under the bill, the council must prepare an annual report to the Legislature with recommendations regarding specified issues related to PANDAS and PANS. The report must include recommendations regarding practice guidelines for diagnosis and treatment. The report must also include recommendations regarding a network of volunteer experts on the diagnosis and treatment of PANDAS and PANS to assist in education and outreach.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 makes two modifications to the requirement regarding the annual report to the Legislature. First, the amendment removes the requirement to include recommendations for practice **guidelines and treatment**. Second, it modifies the requirement related to volunteer experts on diagnosis and treatment of PANDAS and PANS. The amendment removes the reference to **diagnosis and treatment**, so the requirement will relate to a “network of experts” to assist in education and outreach.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Brandtjen and others introduced the bill on November 14, 2017. Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Brandtjen on December 14, 2017. On December 20, 2017, the Assembly Committee on Health recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0. On the same date, the committee recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 1.

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