



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**January 2017 Special Session
Assembly Bill 8**

Assembly Amendment 4

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JANUARY 2017 SPECIAL SESSION ASSEMBLY BILL 8

Current law requires the Department of Health Services (DHS) to create two or three regional comprehensive opioid treatment programs. The programs must provide treatment for opiate addiction in rural and underserved, high-need areas. January 2017 Special Session Assembly Bill 8 requires DHS to create two or three additional regional comprehensive opioid treatment programs in underserved, high-need areas. The bill does not require the new programs to provide treatment in rural areas.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 4

Assembly Amendment 4 (the Amendment) expands the scope of the programs to be created to include treatment for methamphetamine addiction. Under the bill, as amended by the Amendment, DHS will be required to create two or three new regional comprehensive opioid and methamphetamine treatment programs, to provide treatment for opioid addiction and methamphetamine addiction in underserved, high-need areas.

BILL HISTORY

On April 4, 2017, the Amendment was offered by Representative Nygren. On the same date, the Assembly adopted the Amendment, on a voice vote, and passed the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 97; Noes, 0.

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