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## ASSEMBLY BILL 8

February 17, 2017 - Introduced by COMMITTEE ON ASSEMBLY ORGANIZATION, Representatives NYGREN, E. BROOKS, BERNIER, KRUG, NOVAK, QUINN, VANDERMEER, JAGLER, RODRIGUEZ, BORN, LOUDENBECK, BROSTOFF, MURPHY, BALLWEG, FELZKOWSKI, SKOWRONSKI, STEFFEN, RIPP, SWEARINGEN, KLEEFISCH, PETRYK, MURSAU, TITTL, ROHRKASTE, OHNSTAD, C. TAYLOR, ZEPNICK, SINICKI, EDMING, DOYLE, PETERSEN, TUSLER, KOLSTE, TRANEL, VRUWINK, FIELDS, KULP, SARGENT, WACHS, SPREITZER and ZAMARRIPA, cosponsored by Senators HARSDFORF, VUKMIR, DARLING, FEYEN, MARKLEIN, WANGGAARD, OLSEN, CARPENTER and WIRCH, by request of Governor Scott Walker. Referred to Committee on Health.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 51.422 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** creating additional  
2     opioid treatment programs and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to create, and provides funding for, two or three additional opioid treatment programs in underserved and high-need, but not necessarily rural, areas. Current law requires DHS to create two or three opioid treatment programs to provide treatment for addiction in rural and underserved, high-need areas. The programs must provide counseling, abstinence-based treatment, and medication-assisted treatment without using methadone. The additional programs must conform to the same requirements as the original programs.

For further information see the *state* 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.** 51.422 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4     51.422 (1) PROGRAM CREATION. The department shall create 2 or 3 new, regional  
5     comprehensive opioid treatment programs, and in the 2017-19 fiscal biennium,

1 shall create 2 or 3 additional regional comprehensive opioid treatment programs, to  
2 provide treatment for opioid and opiate addiction in ~~rural~~ and underserved,  
3 high-need areas. The department shall obtain and review proposals for opioid  
4 treatment programs in accordance with its request-for-proposal procedures. A  
5 program under this section may not offer methadone treatment.

6 **SECTION 2. Fiscal changes.**

7 (1) OPIOID TREATMENT PROGRAMS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the  
8 statutes for the appropriation to the department of health services under section  
9 20.435 (5) (bc) of the statutes the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017-18 is increased  
10 by \$1,000,000 to create additional opioid treatment programs under section 51.422  
11 of the statutes. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the  
12 appropriation to the department of health services under section 20.435 (5) (bc) of the  
13 statutes the dollar amount for fiscal year 2018-19 is increased by \$1,000,000 to  
14 create additional opioid treatment programs under section 51.422 of the statutes.

15 (END)