



State of Wisconsin  
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**SENATE AMENDMENT 13,  
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 56**

June 26, 2019 - Offered by Senator LARSON.

1           At the locations indicated, amend the bill, as shown by assembly substitute  
2 amendment 1, as follows:

3           **1.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

4           “**SECTION 1.** 49.471 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

5           49.471 (4m) PURCHASE OPTIONS FOR BADGERCARE PLUS AND THE ASSISTANCE FOR  
6 CHILDLESS ADULTS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT. (a) 1. The department shall, if required,  
7 request a waiver from or submit amendments to the state Medical Assistance plan  
8 to the secretary of the federal department of health and human services to establish  
9 a program that allows individuals with income above the maximum income  
10 eligibility limit applicable under this section or the assistance for childless adults  
11 demonstration project under s. 49.45 (23), and who otherwise meet the eligibility  
12 requirements under this section or under s. 49.45 (23), the option of purchasing  
13 coverage through this section or through the demonstration project under s. 49.45

1 (23) instead of purchasing an individual health plan through private insurance. The  
2 department shall also include a request for any federal waiver or state Medical  
3 Assistance plan amendments necessary to allow an option for small businesses to  
4 purchase coverage for their employees under this section as part of the small  
5 business health options program through an exchange under 42 USC 18031.

6 2. The department shall seek any federal waiver and state Medical Assistance  
7 plan amendments necessary to allow individuals who qualify under subd. 1. to use  
8 advanced tax credits and cost-sharing credits, if eligible, to purchase one of the  
9 options described under subd. 1.

10 (b) 1. The department shall coordinate the administration of the purchase  
11 options under this subsection with the programs under this section and s. 49.45 (23)  
12 to maximize efficiency and improve the continuity of care, consistent with the  
13 requirements of this section and s. 49.45 (23). The department shall seek to  
14 implement mechanisms to ensure the long-term financial sustainability of the  
15 programs under this section and s. 49.45 (23). These mechanisms must address  
16 issues related to minimizing adverse selection, the state financial risk and  
17 contribution, and negative impacts to premiums in the individual and group  
18 insurance markets.

19 2. The purchase option program shall include, at a minimum, all of the  
20 following attributes:

21 a. Establishment of an annual per enrollee premium rate similar to the average  
22 rate paid by the state to managed care plan contractors.

23 b. Establishment of a benefit set equal to the benefits covered under this section  
24 and s. 49.45 (23).

