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AMENDMENT MEMO



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2019 Senate Bill 166

Senate Amendments 2 and 3

2019 SENATE BILL 166

Senate Bill 166 makes physicians, dentists, and certain other specified health care providers who practice in free or charitable clinics eligible for the educational loan assistance programs administered by the University of Wisconsin System.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2

Senate Amendment 2 excludes physicians and dentists who agree to practice in a free or charitable clinic from the current program eligibility requirement that a physician or dentist receiving educational loan assistance agree to care for patients who are insured, or for whom health benefits are payable under Medicare, medical assistance, or any other governmental program.

SENATE AMENDMENT 3

Senate Amendment 3 excludes organizations that provide abortion services and affiliates of organizations, other than hospitals, that provide abortion services from the definition of free or charitable clinic for the purposes of the bill. Thusly, physicians and dentists who practice in organizations that provide abortion services or are affiliates of organizations that provide abortion services, other than hospitals, are ineligible for the educational loan assistance programs administered by the University of Wisconsin System.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendments 2 and 3 were offered by Senator Darling. Senate Amendment 2 was recommended for adoption by the Senate Committee on Universities, Technical Colleges, Children and Families on September 25, 2019, by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0. Senate Bill 166 was then recommended for passage, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 6; Noes, 1. Senate Amendment 3 was adopted by the Senate on a vote of Ayes, 19; Noes, 14; and Senate Bill 166 was passed, as amended, on a voice vote on November 5, 2019.

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