1995 SENATE BILL 73

February 15, 1995 – Introduced by Senator Clausing, cosponsored by Representatives Bock, Baldwin, R. Young and Boyle. Referred to Committee on Insurance.

AN ACT to amend 40.02 (25) (b) 5.; and to create 40.02 (25) (b) 5m. of the statutes;

relating to: the eligibility of the governor and members of the legislature for group health insurance coverage under a plan offered by the group insurance board.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, any participating employe under the Wisconsin retirement system is an eligible employe for the purpose of receiving group health insurance coverage through a plan offered by the group insurance board.

This bill provides that the governor and members of the state legislature are eligible employes for the purpose of receiving group health insurance only if the department of employe trust funds determines that a universal health care plan has been enacted in this state before January 1, 1996, that guarantees health care coverage or services, regardless of health or employment status, to every resident of this state, that controls health care costs to the extent that the yearly rise in health care costs does not exceed inflation and that encourages managed competition among health care providers.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. 40.02 (25) (b) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

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<u>a</u>	member	of	the	<u>legislature,</u>	under	the	Wisconsin	retirement	system,
notwithstanding par. (a) 1.;									

Section 2. 40.02 (25) (b) 5m. of the statutes is created to read:

40.02 (25) (b) 5m. The governor and any member of the legislature, if the department determines that a universal health care plan has been enacted in this state before January 1, 1996, which guarantees health care coverage or services, regardless of health or employment status, to every resident of this state, which controls health care costs to the extent that the rise in health care costs in any year is no greater than the percentage difference between the consumer price index, as defined in s. 16.004 (8) (e) 1., for that year and the consumer price index for the 12-month period ending on December 31 of the preceding year and which encourages managed competition among health care providers;

SECTION 3. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on January 1, 1996.

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