

State of Misconsin 1997 - 1998 LEGISLATURE

1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 385

May 22, 1997 – Introduced by Representatives Kelso, Underheim, Ainsworth, Albers, Bock, Dobyns, Gard, Goetsch, Green, Grothman, Hahn, Huber, Hutchison, Jensen, Kreibich, Ladwig, F. Lasee, Lazich, M. Lehman, Musser, Olsen, Ott, Owens, Porter, Seratti, Springer, Urban, Vrakas, Wasserman, R. Young and Riley, cosponsored by Senators Moen, Rude, Drzewiecki, Welch, Huelsman, Rosenzweig and Roessler. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 AN ACT to amend 146.89 (3) (c); and to create 146.89 (3) (b) 8. of the statutes;

2 **relating to:** permitting dentists to perform simple tooth extractions under the

3 volunteer health care provider program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, in certain counties, nonprofit agencies that are approved by the department of administration provide health care services primarily to low-income persons who are uninsured and who are not recipients of medical assistance or medicare. The nonprofit agency may provide all of the following services:

- 1. Diagnostic tests.
- 2. Health education.
- 3. Information about available health care resources.
- 4. Office visits.
- 5. Patient advocacy.
- 6. Prescriptions.
- 7. Referrals to health care specialists.

Under this bill, the nonprofit agency may also provide dental services, including simple tooth extractions and any necessary suturing related to the extractions, performed by a dentist who is a volunteer health provider.

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For further information see the *state and local* 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:

1	SECTION 1. 146.89 (3) (b) 8. of the statutes is created to read:
2	146.89 (3) (b) 8. Dental services, including simple tooth extractions and any
3	necessary suturing related to the extractions, performed by a dentist who is a
4	volunteer health provider.
5	SECTION 2. 146.89 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
6	146.89 (3) (c) The nonprofit agency may not provide emergency medical
7	services, hospitalization or surgery <u>, except as provided in par. (b) 8</u> .
8	(END)