

## **2005 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 92**

- March 14, 2006 Introduced by Representatives COLON, FIELDS, BOYLE, SINICKI, TURNER, SEIDEL, ZEPNICK, BERCEAU, PARISI, SHERIDAN and BENEDICT, cosponsored by Senators LASSA and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Health.
- 1 **To create** section 27 of article I of the constitution; **relating to:** the right of the 2 residents of Wisconsin to preventive and primary health care (first 3 consideration).

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2005 legislature on first consideration, provides that the right of the residents of Wisconsin to preventive and primary health care shall be ensured by the state as one of its necessary duties, and the legislature shall provide by law for the provision of such health care.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

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## Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 27 of article I of the constitution is created to read:

6 [Article I] Section 27. The health and well-being of the people having been 7 determined to be fundamental to the enjoyment of the rights of life, liberty, and the 8 pursuit of happiness, the right of the residents of Wisconsin to preventive and

9 primary health care shall be ensured by the state as one of its necessary duties, and

10 the legislature shall provide by law for the provision of such health care.

SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision. The new section 27 of article I of 1  $\mathbf{2}$ the constitution created in this joint resolution shall be designated by the next higher 3 open whole section number in that article if, before the ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, any other ratified amendment has 4 created a section 27 of article I of the constitution of this state. If one or more joint  $\mathbf{5}$ 6 resolutions create a section 27 of article I simultaneously with the ratification by the 7 people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, the sections created shall 8 be numbered and placed in a sequence so that the sections created by the joint 9 resolution having the lowest enrolled joint resolution number have the numbers designated in that joint resolution and the sections created by the other joint 10 11 resolutions have numbers that are in the same ascending order as are the numbers 12of the enrolled joint resolutions creating the sections.

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13 Be it further resolved, That this proposed amendment be referred to the 14 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3 15 months previous to the time of holding such election.

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(END)