



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,
TO SENATE BILL 462**

February 6, 2024 - Offered by Representative MOSES.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 1, line 4: after “facilities” insert “, crisis hostels,”.

3 **2.** Page 13, line 10: after that line insert:

4 **“SECTION 6m.** 51.043 of the statutes is created to read:

5 **51.043 Crisis hostels. (1) DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

6 (a) “Crisis hostel” is a mental health stabilization program with a maximum
7 of 15 beds that provides crisis stabilization services to an adult individual to prevent
8 or de-escalate the individual’s mental health crisis and avoid admission of the
9 individual to a more restrictive setting.

10 (b) “Crisis stabilization services” means optional emergency mental health
11 services that provide short-term, intensive, community-based services to avoid the
12 need for inpatient hospitalization.

1 **(2) CERTIFICATION REQUIRED; EXEMPTION.** (a) Except as provided in par. (b), no
2 person may operate a crisis hostel without a certification from the department.

3 (b) If a county has, by the effective date of this paragraph [LRB inserts date],
4 established a crisis hostel and operates the crisis hostel pursuant only to certification
5 under ch. DHS 34, Wis. Adm. Code, where individuals whose anticipated
6 length-of-stay is longer than 23 hours due to needs outside of crisis stabilization,
7 and crisis stabilization services are provided in a distinct and separate area from
8 where an individual may spend the night, the county may continue to provide crisis
9 stabilization services without obtaining additional residential licensure and is not
10 required to receive a certification under this section. Needs outside of crisis
11 stabilization may include housing insecurity or stability issues necessitating
12 coordination of transportation, advocacy, and housing assistance.

13 (c) The department may not limit the number of certifications it issues to
14 operate a crisis hostel.

15 (d) The department shall establish application fees and biennial certification
16 fees.

17 (e) A crisis hostel operated under par. (a) or (b) is not subject to facility
18 regulation under ch. 50.

19 **(3) ADMISSIONS.** (a) An individual 18 years of age or older may be admitted to
20 a crisis hostel to receive crisis stabilization services.

21 (b) Crisis stabilization services may only be provided at a crisis hostel on a
22 voluntary basis to individuals who are 18 years of age or older. Crisis hostel staff may
23 not admit an individual who is transported to the hostel involuntarily for emergency
24 detention under s. 51.15.

