



## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 1080

March 27, 1996 - Introduced by Representatives KELSO and UNDERHEIM. Referred to Joint committee on Finance.

1     **AN ACT to repeal** 49.45 (8f); and **to amend** 49.45 (8m) (intro.), 49.46 (2) (a) 4. d.  
2             and 49.46 (2) (b) 6. j. of the statutes; **relating to:** eliminating limitations on  
3             reimbursement of providers of home health, personal care and private-duty  
4             nursing services under the medical assistance program.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, as enacted under 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 (the biennial budget act), the department of health and social services (DHSS) is authorized to require that providers of home health, personal care or private-duty nursing services that are reimbursed under the medical assistance program charge DHSS the lesser of the amount that the federal medicare program reimburses for the services, the provider's usual and customary charge for providing the services or a maximum reimbursement rate, determined by DHSS, for the services.

This bill eliminates the authority for DHSS to require specific limitations on reimbursement to providers of home health, personal care or private duty nursing services provided under the medical assistance program.

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

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

5             **SECTION 1.** 49.45 (8f) of the statutes, as created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, is  
6             repealed.

