



1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 795

February 23, 2000 - Introduced by Representatives COGGS, YOUNG, MORRIS-TATUM, URBAN, WILLIAMS, TURNER, PLALE, SINICKI, J. LEHMAN, KREUSER, MILLER, WASSERMAN, GUNDERSON, BOYLE, SERATTI and WALKER, cosponsored by Senators MOORE, ROBSON and ROSENZWEIG. Referred to Committee on Corrections and the Courts.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 302.38 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** jail prisoner medical
2 records.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a prisoner needs medical care, the sheriff, superintendent or other keeper of the jail or house of correction in which the prisoner is confined must provide the prisoner appropriate care or treatment. In addition, under current law, the department of corrections (DOC) must establish, by rule, program standards for jails and houses of correction, which must include certain policies and procedures regarding the provision of medical care to prisoners.

This bill requires DOC to develop a standardized form for use in jails and houses of correction for recording a prisoner's medical conditions and history. The bill also requires jailers in Brown, Dane, Kenosha, Marathon, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Racine, Rock, Waukesha and Winnebago counties to complete the form for each prisoner being transferred to DOC or to another county's jail or house of correction at the time of the transfer.

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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 302.38 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

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SECTION 1

1 302.38 (6) (a) In this subsection, “jailer” means the sheriff, superintendent or
2 other keeper of each jail or house of correction.

3 (b) The department shall provide to each jailer a standardized form for
4 recording a prisoner’s medical conditions and history. Jailers in Brown, Dane,
5 Kenosha, Marathon, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Racine, Rock, Waukesha and
6 Winnebago counties shall complete the form for each prisoner being transferred to
7 the department or to another county’s jail or house of correction and shall provide it
8 to the jailer of the other jail or house of correction at the time of the transfer.

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