



## 2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 671

November 13, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives WASSERMAN, VUKMIR, F. LASEE, TAYLOR and HAHN, cosponsored by Senator M. MEYER. Referred to Committee on Health.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 153.01 (4t) of the statutes; **relating to:** exempting certain  
2             ambulatory surgery centers and other medical clinics from health care  
3             information data requirements and annual assessments.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, as affected by 2003 Wisconsin Act 33 (the biennial budget act), the Department of Health and Facility Services (DHFS) collects health care information from health care providers, and analyzes and disseminates the information to interested parties, except that, by September 2003, the Department of Administration must contract with an entity to collect the health care information from hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers, beginning within 18 months after the date of the contract.

Also under current law, as affected by the biennial budget act, DHFS must annually assess health care providers (except, beginning July 1, 2004, hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers) for, among other things, the DHFS costs for health care data collection, database development and maintenance, and generation of data files and standard reports. DHFS must estimate these costs and determine the amounts of the assessments by subtracting, from the cost estimate, the estimated revenue DHFS will obtain from charging user fees for health care data reports generated by DHFS. A health care provider that is not a facility may not be assessed more than \$75 each fiscal year.

This bill exempts those ambulatory surgery centers and other medical clinics that employ 20 or fewer physicians from the collection of health care information and assessments by DHFS, beginning on July 1, 2004.

