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### Matters Worth of Further Review:

Time constraints\prevented the Task Force from making recommendations on certain matters that came to its attention during the course of the Hearings and in the discussions that followed in the working sessions. However, the Task Force urges future study, evaluation and appropriate action by the Governor and the Legislature on these matters:

- 1. Creating a Privacy Watch Commission composed of not more than fourteen unpaid members attached to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection whose purpose is to meet regularly and review privacy issues aftsing from both the public and private sector;
  - Establishing venue for prosecution of privacy related crimes in the County\where the victim resides;
    - 3. Allowing law enforcement officers access to drivers license photographs to assist investigations of privacy related crimes;
    - 4. Sponsoring an amendment to the Hearbay Rule of Evidence, which now bars admission of law enforgement officers' reports at preliminary hearings, so that such reports are admissible

1 49 45 (3) Investigating the impact of the Internet on privacy concerns; and

6. Extending the physician-patient privilege to the peer review process in hospital quality control/improvement programs.

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

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905.04 (1) (b) A communication or information is "confidential" if not intended to be disclosed to 3rd persons other than those present to further the interest of the patient in the consultation, examination, or interview, or persons reasonably necessary for the transmission of the communication or information or persons who are participating in the diagnosis and treatment under the direction of the physician, registered nurse, chiropractor, psychologist, social worker, marriage and family therapist, health care services review organization, or professional counselor, including the members of the patient's family.

History: Sup. Ct. Order, 59 Wis. 2d R121; 1975 c. 393; 1977 c. 61, 413; 1979 c. 32 s. 92 (1); 1979 c. 221, 352; 1983 a. 400, 535; 1987 a. 233, 264; Sup. Ct. Order, 151 Wis. 2d xxi (1989); 1991 a. 32, 39, 160; 1993 a. 98; 1995 a. 77, 275, 436; 1997 a. 292; 1999 a. 22.

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History: Sup. Ct. Order, 59 Wis. 2d R121; 1975 c. 393; 1977 c. 4,418; 1979 c. 32 s. 92 (1); 1979 c. 221, 352; 1983 a. 400, 535; 1987 a. 233, 264; Sup. Ct. Order, 151 Wis. 2d xxi (1989); 1991 a. 32, 39, 160; 1993 a. 98; 1995 a. 77, 275,476; 1997 a. 292; 1999 a. 22.

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has determined that the patient is in need of hospitalization, guardianship,
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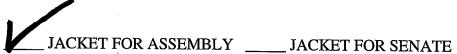
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Re:

LRB-1490 Physician/patient privilege - hospital quality control programs

The attached draft was prepared at your request. Please review it carefully to ensure that it is accurate and satisfies your intent. If it does and you would like it jacketed for introduction, please indicate below for which house you would like the draft jacketed and return this memorandum to our office. If you have any questions about jacketing, please call our program assistants at 266-3561. Please allow one day for jacketing.



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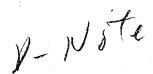
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AN ACT to amend 905.04 (1) (b), 905.04 (1) (c), 905.04 (2), 905.04 (3), 905.04 (4) (a), 905.04 (4) (e) 2. and 905.04 (4) (e) 3.; and to create 905.04 (1) (bg) of the statutes; relating to: extending the physician-patient privilege to refuse to disclose information to include information provided to health care services review organizations.

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Under current law, a patient has a privilege to refuse to disclose and to prevent any other person from disclosing confidential communications made or information obtained or disseminated for purposes of diagnosis or treatment of the patient's physical, mental, or emotional condition. The privilege currently applies to communications between the patient and the patient's physician, registered nurse, chiropractor, psychologist, social worker, marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, or persons, including members of the patient's family, who are participating in the diagnosis or treatment under the direction of the physician, registered nurse, chiropractor, psychologist, social worker, marriage and family therapist, or professional counselor. This bill expands the privilege to include communications and information regarding the patient that are reviewed by a health care services review organization, which is an organization that reviews patients records to determine if the appropriate, complete, and necessary health care services were provided to a patient while he or she was hospitalized.

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