

**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 876**

March 7, 2002 – Offered by Representative WASSERMAN.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** creating a health services committee and a prioritized list
2 of diagnoses and treatments for purposes of medical assistance coverage.

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

3 **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

4 (1) (a) There is created a health services committee consisting of all of the
5 following:

- 6 1. Five physicians, one of whom is nominated by the State Medical Society, who
7 are licensed to practice medicine in this state and who have clinical expertise in
8 family practice, obstetrics, pediatrics, perinatal medicine, internal medicine,
9 geriatrics, or public health.
- 10 2. A public health nurse.
- 11 3. A dentist nominated by the Wisconsin Dental Association.
- 12 4. A pharmacist.

1 5. A social worker.

2 6. Two consumers of health care.

3 7. One person from the clergy, as defined in s. 765.002 (1).

4 8. One person from Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce.

5 (b) The governor shall designate one of the members of the committee as the
6 chairperson.

7 (c) The health services committee shall create a list of health services ranked
8 from most important to least important, showing the comparative benefits of each
9 service to the entire population to be served. The committee shall retain an actuary
10 to determine the costs of the services. On or before September 15, 2003, the
11 committee shall submit the list created under this paragraph and the costs of the
12 services on this list to the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172
13 (2) of the statutes. The committee ceases to exist when the committee has submitted
14 the list and the cost of expenses to the legislature, or on September 15, 2003,
15 whichever occurs first.

16 (2) (a) The joint legislative council is requested to propose legislation, in
17 consultation with the health services committee, that would substitute the list
18 created under subsection (1) for the eligible list of services under section 49.46 (2) (b)
19 of the statutes; ensure that reimbursement rates for providers of medical assistance
20 are not reduced as a result of the substitution; and ensure that all persons with
21 incomes below the federal poverty level are eligible for medical assistance.

22 (b) If the council undertakes to propose legislation, it shall model the
23 legislation, to the extent practicable, after the Oregon Health Plan, and it shall
24 report its proposed legislation to the legislature by September 15, 2003.

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