



## 2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 670

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** 153.60 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** exempting medical  
2           residents and fellows from health care information data 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 medical residents and fellows from the health care information assessments annually imposed on health care providers by DHFS, beginning with assessments imposed for fiscal year 2004–05.

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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:*

1           **SECTION 1.** 153.60 (1) of the statutes, as affected by 2003 Wisconsin Act 33, is  
2 amended to read:

3           153.60 (1) The department shall, by the first October 1 after the  
4 commencement of each fiscal year, estimate the total amount of expenditures under  
5 this chapter for the department and the board for that fiscal year for data collection,  
6 database development and maintenance, generation of data files and standard  
7 reports, orientation and training provided under s. 153.05 (9) (a) and maintaining  
8 the board. The department shall assess the estimated total amount for that fiscal  
9 year less the estimated total amount to be received for purposes of administration  
10 of this chapter under s. 20.435 (4) (hi) during the fiscal year, the unencumbered  
11 balance of the amount received for purposes of administration of this chapter under  
12 s. 20.435 (4) (hi) from the prior fiscal year and the amount in the appropriation  
13 account under s. 20.435 (1) (dg), 1997 stats., for the fiscal year, to health care  
14 providers, ~~other than hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers~~, who are in a class  
15 of health care providers from whom the department collects data under this chapter  
16 in a manner specified by the department by rule. The department may not assess  
17 hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, and medical residents or fellows in medical  
18 education who are participating in accredited training programs under the  
19 supervision of the medical staff of hospitals. The department shall obtain approval  
20 from the board for the amounts of assessments for health care providers other than  
21 hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers. The department shall work together with

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1 the department of regulation and licensing to develop a mechanism for collecting  
2 assessments from health care providers other than hospitals and ambulatory  
3 surgery centers. No health care provider that is not a facility may be assessed under  
4 this subsection an amount that exceeds \$75 per fiscal year. All payments of  
5 assessments shall be credited to the appropriation under s. 20.435 (4) (hg).

6 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

7 (1) This act first applies to assessments under section 153.60 (1) of the statutes  
8 for fiscal year 2004-05.

9 **SECTION 3. Effective date.**

10 (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2004.

11 (END)