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1	AN ACT <i>to amend</i> 185.99 (2) (a), 185.99 (5) (title) and 185.99 (6) of the statutes;
2	relating to: health benefit purchasing cooperatives.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

- **SECTION 1.** 185.99 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 185.99 (2) (a) Notwithstanding s. 185.02, one health benefit purchasing
- 5 <u>cooperative cooperatives</u> may be organized under this chapter before January 1,
- 6 2008, in each of the 5 geographic areas designated under sub. (6). Notwithstanding
- 7 s. 185.043, each \underline{a} health benefit purchasing cooperative may be formed by one or
- 8 more persons.

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- **SECTION 2.** 185.99 (5) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 10 185.99 **(5)** (title) Additional required Required reports.

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185.99 **(6)** Designation of Geographic areas. After consultation with the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives, the commissioner shall designate, by order, the 5 geographic areas of the state in which health benefit purchasing cooperatives may be organized. A geographic area may overlap with one or more other geographic areas.

7 (END)