



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Assembly Bill 881

Assembly Amendment 1

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Assembly Amendment 1 to 2005 Assembly Bill 881 makes the following changes to the bill:

10-Year Public Health Agenda

- *Assembly Bill 881:* The bill requires that by January 1, 2010, and every 10 years thereafter, the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) must develop a public health agenda.
- *Assembly Amendment 1:* The amendment requires that the public health agenda must be developed by DHFS “at least” every 10 years.

Vaccination and Quarantine

- *Assembly Bill 881:* The bill modifies current law with regard to vaccinations and isolation or quarantine during public health emergencies that are declared by the Governor to provide that these may be ordered only if the person is first requested to voluntarily receive a vaccination or undergo isolation or quarantine and refuses to do so.
- *Assembly Amendment 1:* Assembly Amendment 1 deletes the changes to current law with respect to requesting voluntary compliance with vaccinations, isolation, or quarantine before ordering them.

Reports by Pharmacists

- *Assembly Bill 881:* The bill modifies current law with respect to required reports to DHFS by pharmacists or pharmacies regarding unusual increases in numbers of prescriptions dispensed or nonprescription drug products sold that relate to certain medical conditions. The bill modifies this law by requiring that the report be made within 24 hours after the occurrence and be made electronically or in writing. The bill allows the report be made to the local health department or to DHFS.

- *Assembly Amendment 1*: The amendment also allows the report to be made by fax machine or by telephone.

Reports by Coroners/Medical Examiners

- *Assembly Bill 881*: The bill modifies the current law that requires a coroner or medical examiner who is aware of the death of a person who had an illness or a health condition that satisfies certain requirements (“believed to be caused by bioterrorism or a novel or previously controlled or eradicated biological agent”) to report this to DHFS and the local health department. The bill modifies this to also require such a report if the coroner or medical examiner knows or suspects that the person had a communicable disease.
- *Assembly Amendment 1*: The amendment modifies the provision with regard to communicable diseases to refer to communicable diseases “that, under rules promulgated by the department of health and family services, must be reported to a local health officer or to the state epidemiologist.”

Legislative History

On January 17, 2006, the Assembly Committee on Health recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1, and passage of the bill as amended, both by votes of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0. On January 24, 2006, the Assembly adopted Assembly Amendment 1 by a voice vote, and passed the bill as amended by a vote of Ayes, 98; Noes, 0.

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