



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Assembly Bill 262

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 2**

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CURRENT LAW AND BILL AS INTRODUCED

Under current statutes and administrative rules, the following persons are required to successfully complete instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR):

Emergency medical technicians (EMTs); first responders; instructors of EMTs and first responders; hospital medical and nursing personnel who provide emergency services; day care center, group home, and shelter care facility staff who provide care for children; lifeguards; health services staff at camps; fitness center employees; specialized motor vehicle drivers and attendants; licensed midwives; chiropractors; dentists; dental hygienists; licensed athletic trainers; and massage therapists and bodyworkers.

As introduced, the bill requires that those persons also must successfully *complete a course* in the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs). The bill requires the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) to approve individuals, organizations, and higher education institutions to provide a course in the use of AEDs. The bill is inconsistent in requiring some, but not all, covered occupations to demonstrate *current proficiency* in the use of AED, when applying for or renewing a credential.

ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 2

The substitute amendment does the following:

1. Changes the AED training requirement from “successfully completing a course” to “successfully completing instruction” so that CPR and AED training are more readily combined.

2. Clarifies that all persons subject to the AED instruction requirement must demonstrate *current proficiency* in the use of AEDs at the time of initial application for, and renewal of, a license or certificate.
3. Directs DHFS to approve individuals, organizations, and higher education institutions to provide *instruction* (rather than provide a *course*) in the use of AEDs.
4. Makes it a statutory requirement, rather than a requirement to be promulgated by rule, that dentists and dental hygienists applying for or renewing a license must submit evidence to the Dentistry Examining Board of current proficiency in the use of an AED, and clarifies that the AED instruction for dentists and dental hygienists is part of the CPR instruction.
5. Makes several technical corrections to the bill.

Legislative Action

In executive session on June 12, 2007, the Assembly Committee on Homeland Security and State Preparedness introduced Assembly Substitute Amendment 2 by unanimous consent and recommended adoption of the substitute amendment on a vote of Ayes, 7; and Noes, 0. The committee then recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 5; and Noes, 2.

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