



## 2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 52

May 9, 2007 - Introduced by Representatives NELSON, TAUCHEN, HRAYCHUCK, MURSAU, JORGENSEN, MURTHA, SOLETSKI, DAVIS, GARTHWAITE, HINES, SMITH, KRUSICK, TRAVIS, HIXSON, VAN ROY, NERISON, MOLEPSKE, VRUWINK, MOULTON, SHERIDAN, HINTZ, VAN AKKEREN, TOLES, MASON, A. OTT, JESKEWITZ, KAUFERT, CULLEN, RICHARDS, HUBLER, KREUSER, SHERMAN, SINICKI, HILGENBERG, STASKUNAS, GRIGSBY, SCHNEIDER, BERCEAU, GRONEMUS, HEBL, STEINBRINK, BENEDICT, SEIDEL, SHILLING, FIELDS, TURNER, YOUNG, ZEPNICK, BOYLE, POCAN, WASSERMAN, POPE-ROBERTS, PARISI, BLACK, KESSLER, COLON and M. WILLIAMS, cosponsored by Senators PLALE, KREITLOW, WIRCH, SULLIVAN, TAYLOR, COGGS, HANSEN, LEHMAN, RISSER, ROESSLER, LASSA, CARPENTER and LEIBHAM. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1       **Relating to:** urging U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary  
2           Michael Leavitt to renew SeniorCare.

3           Whereas, Wisconsin's congressional delegation has made great strides to save  
4       SeniorCare, Wisconsin's highly successful prescription drug program for seniors,  
5       and should be duly thanked for their efforts to save the program; and

6           Whereas, SeniorCare is set to expire on June 30, 2007, unless the federal  
7       government grants the state's request for a three-year waiver to continue the  
8       program; and

9           Whereas, many of SeniorCare's current 105,000 beneficiaries, and an untold  
10       number of future beneficiaries, may face undue hardship if the program were to end;  
11       and

12          Whereas, in most cases, SeniorCare provides better coverage, is less expensive,  
13       and is much easier to apply for than the federal Medicare Part D prescription drug  
14       benefit; and

