AN ACT to amend 49.686 (2) of the statutes; relating to: moneys used to reimburse the cost of drugs to treat HIV infections and making appropriations (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Health and Family Services).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides that the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) may use federal project operations moneys, among other funds, to reimburse the costs of drugs used to treat persons with an HIV infection. This bill provides that DHFS may use federal project aids moneys rather than federal project operations moneys to reimburse these costs.

For further information, see the NOTES provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Health and Family Services and introduced by the Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.
SECTION 1. 49.686 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.686 (2) REIMBURSEMENT. From the appropriations under s. 20.435 (1) (m) and (5) (am) and (i), and (ma), the department may reimburse or supplement the reimbursement of the cost of AZT, the drug pentamidine, and any drug approved for reimbursement under sub. (4) (c) for an individual who is eligible under sub. (3).

NOTE: This bill corrects a reference to the federal funding sources for the drug assistance program that reimburses pharmacies for the cost of certain medications used in treating human immunodeficiency virus for low-income individuals.

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