2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 57

August 2, 2007 – Introduced by Senators CARPENTER, HANSEN, WIRCH, LEHMAN, SULLIVAN, ERPENBACH, PLALE, KREITLOW, SCHULTZ, LEIBHAM and COGGS, cosponsored by Representatives NELSON, BLACK, ZEPNICK, SOLETSKI, FIELDS, POCAN, HEBL, TURNER, BOYLE, SEIDEL, POPE-ROBERTS, JORGENSEN, BERCEAU, SHERIDAN, MOLEPSKE, YOUNG, GRIGSBY, HIXSON and HINTZ. Referred to Committee on Public Health, Senior Issues, Long Term Care and Privacy.

Relating to: providing for an advisory referendum on the question of continuing the program of prescription drug assistance for elderly persons (Senior Care) past December 30, 2009, as a permanent federal–state program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This joint resolution calls for an advisory referendum on the question of continuing the program of prescription drug assistance for elderly persons (Senior Care) past December 30, 2009, as a permanent federal–state program. The referendum is to be held at the next general election occurring not sooner than 45 days after adoption of the resolution.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the following question be submitted, for advisory purposes only, to the voters of this state at the next general election occurring not sooner than 45 days after adoption of this resolution:

QUESTION 1: Continuance of Senior Care in Wisconsin. “Should the program of prescription drug assistance for elderly persons in Wisconsin, known as Senior Care, which is funded in part by the state and in part by the federal
government under a waiver of federal Medical Assistance laws, and for which federal
funding, unless the waiver is extended, will cease on January 1, 2010, be continued
past that date as a permanent joint federal and state program?”

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