

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

## 2009 Wisconsin Act 277 [2009 Senate Bill 96]

Diversions Under the Community Integration Program

Current law provides that the Department of Health Services (DHS), under the community integration program commonly known as "CIP II," may pay an enhanced rate for Medical Assistance (MA) services for individuals who either are relocated from a nursing home or meet MA level of care requirements and are diverted from imminent entry into a nursing home. Payment of the enhanced rate for individuals who are diverted from imminent entry into a nursing home is limited to 150 individuals, unless DHS submits a request to the Joint Committee on Finance (JCF), under a passive review process, for approval to exceed the limit.

2009 Wisconsin Act 277 eliminates the limit of 150 individuals for which payment of the enhanced rate may be made under CIP II. In addition, the Act eliminates DHS's authority to submit a request to JCF for approval to exceed the limit.

Effective Date: The Act takes effect on May 26, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.