2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 840

An Act to amend 146.98 (3) (c); and to create 146.98 (7) of the statutes; relating to: ambulatory surgical center assessment reporting.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to submit a report on the ambulatory surgical center assessment to the Joint Committee on Finance annually, based on the preceding fiscal year, with certain information as described in the bill. Under current law, the Department of Revenue may impose an assessment on ambulatory surgical centers. DHS allocates any assessment among the ambulatory surgical centers in proportion to their gross patient revenue. DOR, if it imposes an assessment, must transfer 99.5 percent of the moneys collected to the medical assistance trust fund, which pays some of the costs for the Medical Assistance program.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

Section 1. 146.98 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.98 (3) (c) Require ambulatory surgical centers to provide the department of revenue any data that is required by the department of revenue to determine
assessment amounts under this section, including information regarding the medical specialty of the ambulatory surgical center.

SECTION 2. 146.98 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

146.98 (7) (a) Annually, the department of health services shall submit a report to the joint committee on finance containing all of the following information for the immediately preceding fiscal year:

1. The total amount of revenue collected from eligible ambulatory surgical centers under the assessment under this section.

2. The amount each eligible ambulatory surgical center paid under the assessment under this section. The department of health services may withhold the name of the ambulatory surgical center paying the assessment but shall specify the specialty of the center paying the assessment.

3. The total amount of money received by each managed care organization, if money was received, in Medical Assistance payment increases made in connection with the implementation of the assessment under this section.

4. The total amount each managed care organization under subd. 3. paid to ambulatory surgical centers.

5. The total amount of Medical Assistance payment increases made in connection with the implementation of the assessment paid to eligible ambulatory surgical centers on a fee-for-service basis under the assessment under this section.

(b) Upon request of the department of health services, the department of revenue shall provide to the department of health services any information obtained by the department of revenue under sub. (3) (c). The department of revenue is not
required to provide under this paragraph tax information that is considered proprietary to an individual ambulatory surgical center.

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