

---

# Wisconsin Legislative Council

## AMENDMENT MEMO

---



**Memo published:** November 6, 2019

**Contact:** Andrea Brauer, Staff Attorney

**2019 Assembly Bill 526**

**Assembly Substitute  
Amendment 1**

### **2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 526**

Assembly Bill 526 requires physicians, psychologists, private practice school psychologists, social workers, clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, substance abuse counselors, clinical substance abuse counselors, and prevention specialists to complete two hours of continuing education on suicide prevention every two years.

### **ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1**

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 removes the ongoing nature of the requirement and provides instead that each of the license types listed above must complete two hours of continuing education on suicide education once. For those who are currently licensed, the education must be taken before the next license renewal. For those who receive a license in the future, the education must be taken as part of the continuing education for the first license renewal.

### **BILL HISTORY**

Representative Kurtz introduced Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on October 28, 2019. On October 30, 2019, the Assembly Committee on Health recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0. The committee then recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 5.

AB:ksm