AN ACT to create 49.46 (2) (bh) of the statutes; relating to: reimbursement of pharmacist services under the Medical Assistance program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The bill requires the Department of Health Services to provide reimbursement under the Medical Assistance program for services that are typically reimbursable under the program but that are provided by a pharmacist within the scope of his or her license or that are provided by a pharmacist that were delegated by a physician. DHS is required to seek any necessary state plan amendment or waiver necessary to allow for such pharmacist reimbursement and is not required to provide reimbursement if the federal government disapproves.

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. 49.46 (2) (bh) of the statutes is created to read:

49.46 (2) (bh) The department shall provide reimbursement for services that are reimbursable under this section and that are provided by a licensed pharmacist within the scope of his or her license or are services performed under s. 450.033. If
the department determines it is unable to implement this paragraph without a state plan amendment or waiver of federal law, the department shall submit to the federal department of health and human services any necessary state plan amendment or waiver of federal law necessary to implement this paragraph. If the federal government disapproves the amendment or waiver request, the department is not required to implement this paragraph.

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