2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 679

October 29, 2021 – Introduced by Representative LOUDENBECK, cosponsored by Senator KOODYENGA. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 AN ACT to amend 50.33 (2d) (d) and 50.36 (5m) of the statutes; relating to:

hospital services provided in a home setting.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

2021 Wisconsin Act 10 specifies standards for certain services provided by hospitals in a home setting. “Hospital-associated services” as defined in Act 10 are health care services that are the same type of services as those provided by a hospital in an inpatient or outpatient facility, that are of the type for which a federal Medicare program payment could be claimed as a hospital service, and that are provided in a home setting instead of a setting that is approved as a hospital by the Department of Health Services. If the federal Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved a hospital to provide any hospital–associated service, DHS may apply and enforce as the state standard for the service the CMS rule or standard on the hospital. A hospital that complies with Act 10 is not required to be licensed as a home health agency to provide hospital–associated services. The provisions of Act 10 apply to hospital–associated services provided before January 1, 2022. This bill eliminates the termination date of these provisions in Act 10 and thus continues the application of Act 10’s provision.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
**SECTION 1.** 50.33 (2d) (d) of the statutes, as created by 2021 Wisconsin Act 10, is amended to read:

50.33 (2d) (d) The service is provided in a home setting before January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 2.** 50.36 (5m) of the statutes, as created by 2021 Wisconsin Act 10, is amended to read:

50.36 (5m) If the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services has approved a hospital to provide any hospital-associated service, the department may apply to and enforce upon the hospital as the state standard for the hospital-associated service any rule or standard that is required by the centers for medicare and medicaid services for the service. This subsection does not apply on or after January 1, 2022.

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