2021 SENATE BILL 4

January 15, 2021 - Introduced by Senators JACQUE, FELZKOWSKI, KAPENGA, MARKLEIN, PETROWSKI, WANGGAARD, WIMBERGER, STROEBEL, BERNIER, STAFSHOLT, NASS, BALLWEG and BRADLEY, cosponsored by Representatives THIESFELDT, HORLACHER, BROOKS and SCHRAA. Referred to Committee on Human Services, Children and Families.

AN ACT to create 252.02 (5m) and 252.03 (2m) of the statutes; relating to: prohibiting certain government officials from mandating vaccination against the 2019 novel coronavirus.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The bill prohibits the Department of Health Services and local health officers from requiring individuals to receive a vaccine against the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, which causes COVID-19. Under current law, during a state of emergency related to public health declared by the governor, DHS may order any individual to receive a vaccination, except under certain medical circumstances or if the individual objects for religious or conscience reasons, and may isolate or quarantine an individual who is unwilling or unable to be vaccinated.

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

SECTION 1. 252.02 (5m) of the statutes is created to read:

252.02 (5m) Notwithstanding sub. (6) and s. 252.041, the department may not require individuals to receive a vaccine against the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, which causes COVID-19.
SECTION 2. 252.03 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

252.03 (2m) Notwithstanding sub. (2), a local health officer may not require individuals to receive a vaccine against the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, which causes COVID-19.

(END)