
Wisconsin Legislative Council

AMENDMENT MEMO



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2025 Senate Bill 675

Senate Amendment 1

BACKGROUND

2025 Senate Bill 675 is one of two bills¹ introduced upon the recommendation of the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council. The council is statutorily required to submit recommendations for amendments to the unemployment insurance law to the Legislature every biennial legislative session. The council has an equal membership of labor and management representatives who must jointly agree on the council's recommended bills. [s. 108.14 (5) (a), Stats.]

2025 SENATE BILL 675

2025 Senate Bill 675 authorizes the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to expend funds from an existing appropriation relating to unemployment insurance drug testing for the additional purpose of costs related to identity proofing for which federal funding is unavailable.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 adds two provisions to the bill. First, the amendment increases the DWD operations fund for administration of the worker's compensation program by \$834,700 in the 2025-26 fiscal year and by \$941,800 in the 2026-27 fiscal year. Second, the amendment specifies that DWD's costs related to retaining an insurer or other organization to process, investigate, and pay claims involving the uninsured employers fund are to be paid from the uninsured employers fund, instead of from the worker's compensation operations fund.²

BILL HISTORY

Senator Feyen offered Senate Amendment 1 on January 5, 2026. On January 16, 2026, the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Labor and Economic Development unanimously recommended adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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¹ The second bill recommended by the council is [2025 Senate Bill 677](#).

² The provisions in the amendment are identical to certain provisions recommended by the Worker's Compensation Advisory Council in 2025 Senate Bill 676.