



State of Wisconsin
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**SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 28**

May 11, 2011 – Offered by Senators C. LARSON, T. CULLEN, RISSER, WIRCH, TAYLOR,
MILLER, S. COGGS, LASSA and HANSEN.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming October 2011 as Comprehensive Women’s Health Care
2 Month.
3 Whereas, more than 2.8 million women and girls live in the state of Wisconsin;
4 and
5 Whereas, Wisconsin recognizes the unique health needs of women; and
6 Whereas, access to comprehensive reproductive health care — including Pap
7 smears, colposcopy, breast exams, screening and treatment for sexually-transmitted
8 infections, birth control counseling and services, and prenatal care coordination —
9 provided by licensed medical professionals is critical to the overall well-being of
10 women and their families; and
11 Whereas, women’s health centers have saved countless lives by preventing and
12 treating life-threatening diseases including HIV/AIDS, and breast, cervical, and
13 ovarian cancer; and

1 Whereas, family planning health care is recognized by the Centers for Disease
2 Control and Prevention as one of the top ten public health achievements of the 20th
3 Century; and

4 Whereas, the state of Wisconsin values the many licensed health care
5 professionals who provide this basic care in a compassionate setting, at times under
6 threat of violence; now, therefore, be it

7 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the members of the
8 Wisconsin legislature strongly support comprehensive women's health centers in
9 their unique, positive contributions to the individual lives of women, men, and babies
10 — both born and unborn; and, be it further

11 ***Resolved, That*** the Wisconsin legislature commends the compassionate work
12 of tens of thousands of volunteers and paid staff at women's health centers in
13 Wisconsin and across the United States; and, be it further

14 ***Resolved, That*** the Wisconsin legislature disapproves of the actions of any
15 national, state, or local group attempting to prevent women's health centers from
16 effectively serving women's health care needs, particularly those that operate
17 through deception, harassment, intimidation, or violence; and, be it further

18 ***Resolved, That*** the members of the Wisconsin legislature proclaim October
19 2011 as Comprehensive Women's Health Care Month in the state of Wisconsin, and
20 commend this month of observance to all Wisconsin's citizens.

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