



State of Wisconsin  
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## 2017 SENATE BILL 154

April 7, 2017 - Introduced by Senators KAPENGA, CRAIG, LEMAHIEU, MOULTON, NASS, STROEBEL and VUKMIR, cosponsored by Representatives JACQUE, ALLEN, BRANDTJEN, R. BROOKS, DUCHOW, GANNON, HORLACHER, HUTTON, KLEEFISCH, KREMER, KULP, MURPHY, OTT, PETERSEN, QUINN, SANFELIPPO, SCHRAA, SKOWRONSKI, THIESFELDT, TITTL, TUSLER and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.927 (1r) of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting  
2             performance of and funding or providing property for abortions and other  
3             services by certain employees and entities.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill prohibits an employee of the University of Wisconsin System or the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority from, while in the scope of his or her employment, performing or assisting in the performance of an abortion; performing services at a private entity, other than a hospital, where abortions are performed; or training or receiving training in performing abortions, unless the training occurs at a hospital. The bill also prohibits the UW System and the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority from assisting, assigning, extending liability protections for, and entering a contract, agreement, or memorandum of understanding that makes arrangements for employees to perform or assist in performing an abortion; perform services at a private entity, other than a hospital, where abortions are performed; or train or receive training in performing abortions, unless the training occurs at a hospital.

Under current law, no funds of the state or of certain local governmental units, including funds of the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority, and no federal funds passing through the state treasury may be authorized for or paid to a physician or hospital, clinic, or other medical facility for the performance of an abortion. The funding prohibition does not apply if the abortion is directly and medically necessary to save the life of the mother, is directly and medically necessary to prevent grave,

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long-lasting physical health damage to the mother, or in circumstances of sexual assault or incest, if certain certification requirements are fulfilled. Under the bill, these exceptions to the funding prohibition also apply to the bill's prohibitions on employees of and on use of funds or property by the UW System and the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

1           **SECTION 1.** 20.927 (1r) of the statutes is created to read:

2           20.927 (1r) (a) In this subsection, "hospital" has the meaning given in s. 50.33  
3 (2).

4           (b) No employee of the University of Wisconsin System or the University of  
5 Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority may, in the scope of his or her  
6 employment, do any of the following:

7           1. Perform or assist in performing an abortion.

8           2. Perform services at a private entity, other than a hospital, where abortions  
9 are performed.

10          3. Train others to perform abortions or receive training in performing  
11 abortions, unless the training occurs at a hospital.

12          (c) The University of Wisconsin System and the University of Wisconsin  
13 Hospitals and Clinics Authority may not use any funds or property to assist, assign,  
14 extend liability protection for, or enter a contract, agreement, or memorandum of  
15 understanding that makes arrangements for employees to do any of the following:

16          1. Perform or assist in performing an abortion.

17          2. Perform services at a private entity, other than a hospital, where abortions  
18 are performed.

