



2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 176

April 15, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives KAUFERT, FRANKLIN, BARE, BEHNKE, DONOVAN, GUNDRUM, JOERS, KNODL, KREIBICH, MURSAU, O'CONNOR, PALMERI, SNYDER, STUBBS, SUBECK, TENORIO, MADISON, CLANCY and MELOTIK, cosponsored by Senators CABRAL-GUEVARA, TESTIN, DASSLER-ALFHEIM, JAMES, TOMCZYK, WIRCH, DRAKE, RATCLIFF and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 46.87 (5m); *to amend* 46.87 (5) (a) 3. and 46.87 (5) (b) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** financial eligibility for the Alzheimer's family and
3 caregiver support program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Health Services allocates funds to local agencies to assist eligible families with obtaining goods and services related to the care of a person with Alzheimer's disease or another irreversible dementia. Currently, a person is financially eligible for the program if the joint income of the person with irreversible dementia and that person's spouse, if any, is \$48,000 per year or less. This bill repeals the financial eligibility requirement.

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

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 46.87 (5) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:
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1 ~~specified in sub. (5m), and persons~~ Persons in the household are ineligible for the
2 family care benefit under s. 46.286 in a county in which a care management
3 organization under s. 46.284 operates.

4 **SECTION 2.** 46.87 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 46.87 (5) (b) Provide or contract for the provision of services and goods or
6 make payments for services to a person with Alzheimer's disease living in a
7 residential facility in the county or in a residential facility associated with the tribe
8 or band who ~~meets financial eligibility requirements specified in sub. (5m) and~~ is
9 ineligible for the family care benefit under s. 46.286 in a county in which a care
10 management organization under s. 46.284 operates.

11 **SECTION 3.** 46.87 (5m) of the statutes is repealed.

12 (END)