



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 1188

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1 **AN ACT** *to create* 230.40 (5m) of the statutes; **relating to:** payment of health
2 insurance premiums for state employees who take certain leaves of absence.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, for state employees, health insurance premiums are generally paid two months prior to the time that the employees actually receive the coverage. A state employee who terminates state employment or who takes a leave of absence therefore receives paid health insurance coverage for at least two months after his or her date of separation from employment. Currently, most of the premium cost for state employee health care coverage the state pays.

This bill provides that any state employee who takes a leave of absence may not receive during the leave of absence any health insurance coverage, the premiums of which are paid in whole or in part by the state, if during any part of the leave of absence the employee is a candidate for a partisan political office or a nonpartisan state elected office or the employee is employed by a political party, candidate, or political committee.

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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 230.40 (5m) of the statutes is created to read:

