



2019 SENATE BILL 635

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1 **AN ACT to create** 50.373 of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring hospitals to have
2 a policy requiring written and verbal informed consent before a medical student
3 may perform a pelvic exam on a patient who is under general anesthesia or
4 otherwise unconscious.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires hospitals to have and enforce a policy requiring written and verbal informed consent to be obtained before a medical student may perform a pelvic examination on a patient who is under general anesthesia or otherwise unconscious. Under the bill, every hospital must also inform medical students and the physicians supervising these individuals of the informed consent policy and shall take appropriate action to discipline any individual who violates the policy or instructs a medical student to conduct an examination in violation of the policy.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** 50.373 of the statutes is created to read:
6 **50.373 Pelvic examination on an anesthetized or unconscious patient.**
7 Every hospital shall have and enforce a policy that requires written and verbal

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SECTION 1

1 informed consent to be obtained before a medical student may perform a pelvic
2 examination on a patient who is under general anesthesia or otherwise unconscious.
3 Every hospital shall inform medical students and the physicians supervising these
4 individuals of the policy required under this section and shall take appropriate
5 action to discipline any individual who violates the policy or instructs a medical
6 student to conduct an examination in violation of the policy.

7 (END)