

**1983 Assembly Bill 563**

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**1983 Wisconsin Act 348**

AN ACT *relating to* developing a model health insurance plan.

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

**SECTION 1. Development of a model health insurance plan.** (1) The secretary of health and social services, in cooperation with the commissioner of insurance, shall prepare a model health insurance plan. The secretary shall prepare 2 versions of the plan, one which would be offered by the private sector and one which would be offered by the state or jointly by the state and the private sector. The plan shall set forth all of the following:

(a) Provisions for offering the plan to low-income persons, including single persons with dependent children, unemployed persons and persons who cannot obtain health insurance through their place of employment.

(b) Provisions for offering the plan to persons who are eligible to receive medical assistance under sections 49.46 (1) (a) 1 and 1m and 49.47 (4) (a) 2 of the statutes as an alternative to the receipt of public assistance under chapter 49 of the statutes.

(c) A premium and cost-sharing schedule based on ability to pay.

(d) Provisions requiring, to the extent possible, payment on a prepaid capitation basis and direct negotiation of payment rates with health care providers.

(e) The services covered by the plan.

(f) The method of administering the plan.

(g) The means of coordinating the plan with existing insurance plans and other programs which provide some or all of the same benefits to some or all of the same persons to whom the plan would be offered.

(2) The secretary shall also prepare a report on the feasibility and advisability of promoting the inclusion of coverage for long-term care, including nursing home care and home health care services, in health insurance plans offered by the private sector.

(3) The secretary shall submit the 2 versions of the plan prepared under subsection (1), and drafts of legislation needed to implement each version, and the report prepared under subsection (2) to each member of the legislature on or before January 1, 1985.

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