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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 21, TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, **TO 2001 SENATE BILL 55**

June 29, 2001 - Offered by Representative WASSERMAN.

1	At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:
2	1. Page 903, line 17: after that line insert:
3	"Section 2556e. 103.10 (4) (am) of the statutes is created to read:
4	103.10 (4) (am) Subject to pars. (b) and (c), an employee who is pregnant may
5	take up to 9 hours of medical leave during each month of the employee's pregnancy
6	for the purpose of receiving prenatal health care check-ups.
7	Section 2556f. 103.10 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
8	103.10 (4) (b) No employee may take more than 2 weeks of medical leave under
9	par. (a) during a 12-month period. No employee may take more than 81 hours of
10	medical leave under par. (am) in a 12-month period. No employee may take more
11	than 161 hours of medical leave for any combination of reasons specified in pars. (a)

and (am) during a 12-month period.

Section 2556g. 103.10 (7) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

103.10 (7) (a) (intro.) If an employee requests family leave for a reason described in sub. (3) (b) 3. or requests medical leave <u>under sub. (4) (a)</u>, the employer may require the employee to provide certification, as described in par. (b), issued by the health care provider or Christian Science practitioner of the child, spouse, parent, or employee, whichever is appropriate.

Section 2556h. 103.10 (7) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

103.10 (7) (am) If an employee requests medical leave under sub. (4) (am), the employer may require the employee to provide certification issued by the employee's health care provider or Christian Science practitioner stating that the employee is pregnant and the date on which the pregnancy commenced and its probable duration. No employer may require certification under this paragraph stating more than the information specified in this paragraph.

SECTION 2556i. 103.10 (7) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

103.10 (7) (b) (intro.) No employer may require certification <u>under par. (a)</u> stating more than the following:".

2. Page 1180, line 21: after that line insert:

"Section 3741c. 609.05 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

609.05 (3) Except as provided in ss. 609.22 (4), 609.22 (4m), 609.65 and 609.655, a limited service health organization, preferred provider plan or managed care plan may require an enrollee to obtain a referral from the primary provider designated under sub. (2) to another participating provider prior to obtaining health care services from that participating provider.

Section 3741e. 609.16 of the statutes is created to read:

609.16 Appeals. (1) After using the procedure under s. 632.83, a grievant may		
appeal the decision of a managed care plan under s. 632.83 either under this section		
or under s. 632.835, if applicable. An appeal under this section shall be made to a		
physician who is licensed under ch. 448, who is not a participating provider of the		
managed care plan and who specializes in the type of medical practice to which the		
grievance relates. The decision of the physician hearing the appeal under this		
section is binding on the grievant and the managed care plan.		
(2) A managed care plan must include information regarding the appeal		
procedure under this section in policies or certificates provided to enrollees and must		
provide such information to an enrollee or prospective enrollee upon request.		
(3) The commissioner shall promulgate rules for the appeal procedure under		

the physician hearing the appeal is selected.

Section 3741g. 609.22 (4) (a) 1. of the statutes is repealed and recreated to

this section, including rules related to how an enrollee requests an appeal and how

read:

609.22 (4) (a) 1. A managed care plan may not require an enrollee of the managed care plan to obtain a referral for coverage of services provided by a participating provider who is a physician licensed under ch. 448 and who specializes in a particular type of medical practice, regardless of whether the participating provider is the enrollee's primary provider.

SECTION 3741h. 609.22 (4) (a) 2. of the statutes is repealed.

Section 3741i. 609.22 (4) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

609.22 (4) (a) 3. A managed care plan must include information regarding referral procedures the requirement under subd. 1. in policies or certificates

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provided to enrollees and must provide such information to an enrollee or prospective enrollee upon request.

SECTION 3741m. 609.39 of the statutes is created to read:

609.39 Right to sue. A person may bring an action in tort against a managed care plan for a bad faith denial of coverage.".

- **3.** Page 1399, line 25: after that line insert:
- "(1r) Specialist providers under managed care plans.
- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), if a policy or certificate that is affected by the treatment of sections 609.05 (3) and 609.22 (4) (a) 1., 2., and 3. of the statutes contains terms or provisions that are inconsistent with the treatment of sections 609.05 (3) and 609.22 (4) (a) 1., 2., and 3. of the statutes, the treatment of sections 609.05 (3) and 609.22 (4) (a) 1., 2., and 3. of the statutes first applies to that policy or certificate upon renewal.
- (b) The treatment of sections 609.05 (3) and 609.22 (4) (a) 1., 2., and 3. of the statutes first applies to policies or group certificates covering employes who are affected by a collective bargaining agreement containing provisions that are inconsistent with the treatment of sections 609.05 (3) and 609.22 (4) (a) 1., 2., and 3. of the statutes that are issued or renewed on the earlier of the following:
 - 1. The day on which the collective bargaining agreement expires.
- 20 2. The day on which the collective bargaining agreement is extended, modified or renewed.
 - (1s) Appeals of decisions of managed care plans.

1	(a) The treatment of section 609.16 (1) of the statutes first applies to grievances
2	arising on September 1, 2001, or on the effective date of this paragraph, whichever
3	is later.
4	(b) The treatment of section 609.16 (2) of the statutes first applies to policies
5	issued or renewed on September 1, 2001, or on the effective date of this paragraph,
6	whichever is later.
7	(1t) Lawsuits against managed care plans. The treatment of section 609.39 of
8	the statutes first applies to claims arising on the effective date of this subsection.".
9	4. Page 1414, line 2: after that line insert:
10	" $(10q)$ Medical leave for prenatal check-ups. The treatment of section 103.10
11	(4) (am) and (b) and (7) (a) (intro.), (am), and (b) (intro.) of the statutes first applies
12	to an employee, as defined in section 103.10 (1) (b) of the statutes, who is affected by
13	a collective bargaining agreement that contains provisions inconsistent with that
14	treatment on the day on which the collective bargaining agreement expires or is
15	extended, modified, or renewed, whichever occurs first.".
16	5. Page 1421, line 4: after that line insert:
17	"(1) Appeals of decisions of managed care plans. The treatment of section
18	609.16 (1) and (2) of the statutes takes effect on September 1, 2001, or on the effective
19	date of this subsection, whichever is later.".

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