



State of Wisconsin
2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



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FOR 2013-2015 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE

Current law provides that the Group Insurance Board (GIB) may not enter into an agreement to modify or expand any group insurance coverage in a manner that conflicts with laws or rules promulgated by DETF or that materially affects the level of premiums that must be paid by the state or state employees or the level of benefits under any group insurance coverage. This bill permits the GIB to modify or expand benefits if the modification or expansion is required by law or would maintain or reduce premium costs for the state or its employees in the current or any future year.

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:

SECTION 1. 40.03 (6) (c) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

40.03 (6) (c) Shall not enter into any agreement to modify or expand benefits under any group insurance plan, unless the modification or expansion is required by

law or would maintain or reduce premium costs for the state or its employees in the current or any future year. A reduction in premium costs in future years includes a reduction in any increase in premium costs that would have otherwise occurred without the modification or expansion. This paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the group insurance board from encouraging participation in wellness or disease management programs or providing optional coverages if the premium costs for those coverages are paid by the employees.

(END)