

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

April 15, 2022

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

I am vetoing **Assembly Bill 936** in its entirety.

Under this bill, an able-bodied adult without dependents in the Medicaid program who fails to accept a job offer or increase in paid work hours would be ineligible for those benefits for six months.

I am vetoing this bill in its entirety because I object to this bill creating an eligibility condition for the Medicaid program that is more stringent than what is currently allowed under federal law. Unless a state receives explicit authority from the federal government to impose other eligibility rules—which Wisconsin does not have, and it remains unclear whether such a waiver request to the federal government would be approved—individuals who otherwise meet existing eligibility criteria are entitled to these program benefits under federal law.

Respectfully submitted,
TONY EVERS
Governor