



State of Wisconsin
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

LRB-2675/1
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2015 BILL

- 1 **AN ACT to create** 49.45 (49g) of the statutes; **relating to:** billing the Medical
2 Assistance program for prescription drugs by certain entities.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires certain entities, when billing the Medical Assistance (MA) program for reimbursement of a prescription drug, to bill the actual acquisition cost of the prescription drug and the dispensing fee charged under the MA program.

Under current law, the MA program provides coverage for prescription drugs as a benefit. The federal government, under current federal law, has an agreement with drug manufacturers to limit the price of certain drugs purchased by covered entities to the average manufacturer price reduced by any rebate percentage. "Covered entity" is defined in federal law and includes certain federally qualified health centers, certain family planning projects, certain public or nonprofit hospitals, certain children's hospitals, and certain critical access hospitals. This bill specifies that a covered entity must charge the actual acquisition cost of a prescription drug and the standard MA dispensing fee when billing the MA program for reimbursement.

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:

