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Telehealth Modernization Bill Heads to the Governor

Madison, WI – Representative Ellen Schutt’s (R-Clinton) bill to modernize telehealth in Wisconsin was unanimously approved by both the State Assembly and State Senate. Senate Bill 476 will allow out-of-state providers who are licensed in Wisconsin and provide telehealth services to patients to receive reimbursement under the Medical Assistance program.

Following passage of the bill in both chambers, Representative Schutt made the following statement:

“This law will be a great benefit to Medicaid patients that may otherwise need assistance or transportation getting to and from a doctor’s office, as they will now will be able to utilize virtual services from the comfort of their own home.

“The new law will also help medical providers as well. As Wisconsin continues to face historic health care provider shortages, allowing providers to connect with patients remotely will reduce wait times and help alleviate their schedules.

“I am excited to see this bill pass so that we are able to increase access to care for Wisconsinites enrolled in Medicaid. I look forward to Governor Evers signing this commonsense legislation into law.”

Senate Bill 476 now heads to Governor Evers’ desk for his approval. If signed into law, this legislation will make it explicit in law that Medicaid patients across the state have permanent access to an expanded pool of duly licensed Wisconsin providers.

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