



State of Wisconsin  
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO SENATE BILL 610**

November 9, 2023 - Offered by Senator JAMES.

1           At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2           **1.** Page 2, line 8: delete the material beginning with that line and ending with  
3 page 3, line 3, and substitute:

4           “(b) Within 180 days after the effective date of this paragraph, the department  
5 of health services shall obtain and review proposals using its competitive selection  
6 process to award contracts to certified county crisis agencies for the purposes of  
7 providing virtual behavioral health crisis care services to individuals experiencing  
8 a behavioral crisis. Certified county crisis agencies that are awarded grants under  
9 this subsection may contract with their local law enforcement jurisdictions to  
10 provide telehealth equipment and develop virtual behavioral health care. Grants  
11 awarded under the competitive selection process may include remote access via  
12 2-way audio/video communication, and grant awardees may contract for services  
13 with a private entity for the purposes of training, equipment, or decision-making

1 support. No grant may be awarded under this paragraph unless the certified county  
2 crisis agency who will receive the grant certifies to the department of health services  
3 that grant funding will pay no more than 75 percent of the cost of providing virtual  
4 behavioral health crisis care services.

5 (c) Any certified county crisis agency that is eligible to provide crisis services  
6 may apply for a grant under the competitive selection process under par. (b). When  
7 awarding grants under par. (b), the department of health services may award no  
8 more than 50 percent of the program resources for the program under par. (a) to  
9 certified county crisis agencies who serve a population of more than 50,000, and no  
10 more than 10 percent of the program resources may be allocated to a single certified  
11 county crisis agency.”.

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