



2019 SENATE BILL 592

November 27, 2019 - Introduced by Senators DARLING, FEYEN, OLSEN and WANGGAARD, cosponsored by Representatives BROOKS, SCHRAA, BALLWEG, BORN, BOWEN, EMERSON, KRUG, KULP, MAGNAFICI, L. MYERS, NYGREN, PLUMER, QUINN, RAMTHUN, ROHRKASTE, SPIROS, TUSLER and ZIMMERMAN. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT to create** 302.389 of the statutes; **relating to:** providing medication and
2 a valid prescription to a prisoner upon release.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under this bill, the Department of Corrections must identify whether any person who is about to be released from prison is currently taking a prescription medication. If an individual is taking a prescription medication for a condition that is expected to last at least 12 weeks after the individual's release, DOC must provide to the individual at the time of his or her release a six-week supply of the medication and a valid prescription to obtain six weeks worth of medication to be filled at a later date. If an individual is taking a prescription medication for a condition that is expected to last less than 12 weeks after the individual's release, DOC must provide to the individual at the time of his or her release an appropriate supply of the medication.

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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 302.389 of the statutes is created to read:
4 **302.389 Medication and prescription provided upon release.** Before an
5 individual is released from confinement in prison upon completion of his or her

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1 sentence or to parole or extended supervision, the department shall determine if the
2 individual is currently taking a prescription medication. If the individual is taking
3 a prescription medication for a condition that is expected to last at least 12 weeks
4 after the individual's release, the department shall provide to the individual at the
5 time of his or her release a 6-week supply of the medication and a valid prescription
6 to obtain 6 weeks worth of medication to be filled at a later date. If the individual
7 is taking prescription medication for a condition that is expected to last less than 12
8 weeks after the individual's release, the department shall provide to the individual
9 at the time of his or her release an appropriate supply of the medication.

10 (END)