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# **ENGROSSED 2019 SENATE BILL 605**

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1 AN ACT to amend 49.45 (9r) (a) 2.; and to create 49.45 (9r) (d) of the statutes;

**relating to:** reimbursement under the Medical Assistance program for complex rehabilitation technology.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

#### **Engrossment** information:

The text of Engrossed 2019 Senate Bill 605, as passed by the senate on February 19, 2020, consists of the following documents adopted in the senate on February 19, 2020: the bill as affected by Senate Amendments 1 and 2. Senate Amendment 2 deleted the material affected by Senate Amendment 1. Consequently Senate Amendment 1 is not given effect.

#### Content of Engrossed 2019 Senate Bill 605:

This bill modifies the definition of complex rehabilitation technology. Under current law, "complex rehabilitation technology" is defined as items classified within Medicare as durable medical equipment that are individually configured for individuals to meet their specific and unique medical, physical, and functional needs and capacities for basic activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living that are identified as medically necessary. Under the Medical Assistance program, an item or service must be "medically necessary" in order to be eligible for reimbursement. The bill specifically identifies power seat elevation and power standing components of power wheelchairs as items that are included in the definition of "complex rehabilitation technology." Under the engrossed bill, when reviewing prior authorization requests for complex rehabilitation technology items,

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DHS and managed care plans must act within ten working days of receiving complete, clinically relevant written documentation necessary to make a determination.

## The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

1	<b>SECTION 1.</b> 49.45 (9r) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:
2	49.45 (9r) (a) 2. "Complex rehabilitation technology" means items classified
3	within Medicare as durable medical equipment that are individually configured for
4	individuals to meet their specific and unique medical, physical, and functional needs
5	and capacities for basic activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily
6	living identified as medically necessary. "Complex rehabilitation technology"
7	includes complex rehabilitation manual and power wheelchairs, adaptive seating
8	and positioning items, and other specialized equipment such as standing frames and
9	gait trainers, power seat elevation or power standing components of power
10	wheelchairs, as well as options and accessories related to any of these items.
11	SECTION 2m. 49.45 (9r) (d) of the statutes is created to read:
12	49.45 (9r) (d) When reviewing prior authorization requests for complex
13	rehabilitation technology items, the department and managed care plans shall act
14	within 10 working days of receiving complete, clinically relevant written
15	documentation necessary to make a determination.
16	(END)