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BILL ANALYSIS

Health Care Committee

HB 2462

Brief Description: Requiring a physician's medication or treatment order as a condition for children with life-threatening conditions to attend public school.

Sponsors: Representatives Schual-Berke, Campbell, Cody, Edwards, Darneille, Hunt, Conway, Chase and Pflug.

Brief Summary of Bill

· Requires children with life-threatening health conditions to present a physician's medication or treatment order to their school, or be prohibited from attending school.

Hearing Date: 1/25/02

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

Currently, children with life-threatening health conditions may attend school without a physician's medication or treatment order that indicates what medical services they may require at school.

Summary of Bill:

If a child has a life-threatening health condition, they must present a physician's medication and treatment order to their school prior to attending school. Any child with a life-threatening health condition who does not present a physician's medication or treatment order will be prohibited from attending school until the order has been presented to the school. The state Board of Education and the State Board of Health are required to promulgate rules to implement this requirement.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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