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Statement of the American Lung Association in Wisconsin – Emergency Legislation

The American Lung Association in Wisconsin strongly opposes the December 2018 Extraordinary Session bills that would force Governor-elect Evers to implement the Medicaid 1115 Waiver. This waiver will result in thousands of Wisconsinites losing their healthcare. Despite the clear message from election day that voters want patients with pre-existing conditions to be protected, the bills would also require Attorney General-elect Kaul to continue to pursue harmful litigation to undermine those the Affordable Care Act protections.

This legislation will result in fewer Wisconsin residents having access to quality and affordable healthcare, jeopardizing the health of those with pre-existing conditions including the 646,000 Wisconsin residents living with lung disease. The Lung Association in Wisconsin strongly opposes this legislation and we urge members to oppose these bills.