



MADISON, Wis. (AP) The Wisconsin state Senate plans to vote on a bill with

bipartisan support that would allow dentists to charge more for certain services not covered by an insurance plan. The measure up for a Senate vote Tuesday cleared the Assembly in April despite opposition from the state's largest business lobbying group, Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce. It opposes the bill as an unwarranted government intrusion on business.

The Wisconsin Dental Association, which represents about 3,000 dentists statewide, supports the proposal. It would prohibit insurance companies from requiring dentists to charge in-network patients less for certain uncovered services.

It would affect any contracts entered into or modified after Jan. 1. About 30 other states have similar laws.