



State of Wisconsin  
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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## 2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 981

January 19, 2024 - Introduced by Representatives STUBBS, GOEBEN, BEHNKE, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, DITTRICH, DRAKE, EMERSON, GUNDRUM, HURD, KITCHENS, MADISON, MOORE OMOKUNDE, MURPHY, O'CONNOR, OHNSTAD, PALMERI and SINICKI, cosponsored by Senators L. JOHNSON, TAYLOR and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Jobs, Economy and Small Business Development.

1 **AN ACT to create** 165.715, 440.62 (3) (ag) 4m., 440.62 (3) (ar) 7m., 440.62 (4) (a)  
2 2m., 440.62 (4) (b) 2m., 440.62 (4) (c) 2m., 440.62 (5) (b) 1m. and 440.62 (5) (b)  
3 2m. of the statutes; **relating to:** instruction on human trafficking in licensed  
4 schools of barbering, schools of cosmetology, and specialty schools.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill requires the Department of Justice, in consultation with the Technical College System Board, the Department of Safety and Professional Services, and the Cosmetology Examining Board, to identify and establish industry specific materials for use in providing instruction to students in schools of barbering, schools of cosmetology, and specialty schools in the recognition and reporting of human trafficking. Specialty schools are establishments that offer instruction in aesthetics, electrology, or manicuring. Further, under the bill, DSPS and the Cosmetology Examining Board must require that schools of barbering, schools of cosmetology, and specialty schools provide instruction on the dynamics of exploitation including vulnerabilities that put people at risk of being trafficked and how to recognize and report suspected human trafficking as identified by DOJ under the bill.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**ASSEMBLY BILL 981****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 165.715 of the statutes is created to read:

2           **165.715 Prevention of human trafficking.** The department of justice, in  
3 consultation with the technical college system board, the department of safety and  
4 professional services, and the cosmetology examining board, shall, no later than one  
5 year following the effective date of this section .... [LRB insert date], identify and  
6 establish industry specific materials for use in providing instruction to students in  
7 schools of barbering licensed under s. 440.62 (3) (ag), schools of cosmetology licensed  
8 under s. 440.62 (3) (ar), and specialty schools licensed under s. 440.62 (4) in the  
9 recognition and reporting of human trafficking, including both sex trafficking and  
10 labor trafficking.

11           **SECTION 2.** 440.62 (3) (ag) 4m. of the statutes is created to read:

12           440.62 (3) (ag) 4m. Satisfies the requirements for schools of barbering  
13 established under sub. (5) (b) 2m.

14           **SECTION 3.** 440.62 (3) (ar) 7m. of the statutes is created to read:

15           440.62 (3) (ar) 7m. Satisfies the requirements for schools of cosmetology  
16 established under sub. (5) (b) 1m.

17           **SECTION 4.** 440.62 (4) (a) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

18           440.62 (4) (a) 2m. Satisfies the requirements for specialty schools established  
19 under sub. (5) (b) 1m.

20           **SECTION 5.** 440.62 (4) (b) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

21           440.62 (4) (b) 2m. Satisfies the requirements for specialty schools established  
22 under sub. (5) (b) 1m.

23           **SECTION 6.** 440.62 (4) (c) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

24           440.62 (4) (c) 2m. Satisfies the requirements for specialty schools established  
25 under sub. (5) (b) 1m.

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1           **SECTION 7.** 440.62 (5) (b) 1m. of the statutes is created to read:

2           440.62 (5) (b) 1m. The cosmetology examining board shall require that schools  
3 of cosmetology and specialty schools provide instruction on the dynamics of  
4 exploitation including vulnerabilities that put people at risk of being trafficked and  
5 how to recognize and report suspected human trafficking as identified by the  
6 department of justice under s. 165.715.

7           **SECTION 8.** 440.62 (5) (b) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

8           440.62 (5) (b) 2m. The department shall require that schools of barbering  
9 provide instruction on the dynamics of exploitation including vulnerabilities that  
10 put people at risk of being trafficked and how to recognize and report suspected  
11 human trafficking as identified by the department of justice under s. 165.715.

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