

### Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

Original
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  Supplemental

LRB Number <b>21-3753/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>AB-0410</b>
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**Description**  
 ratification of the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
  - Increase Existing Appropriations
  - Decrease Existing Appropriations
  - Create New Appropriations
- Increase Existing Revenues
- Decrease Existing Revenues
- Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
  - Yes
  - No
- Decrease Costs

**Local:**

- No Local Government Costs
- Indeterminate
- 1.  Increase Costs
  - Permissive  Mandatory
- 2.  Decrease Costs
  - Permissive  Mandatory
- 3.  Increase Revenue
  - Permissive  Mandatory
- 4.  Decrease Revenue
  - Permissive  Mandatory
- 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
  - Towns  Village  Cities
  - Counties  Others  0
  - School Districts  WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

GPR
  FED
  PRO
  PRS
  SEG
  SEGS
 s. 20.435(4)(b) and (4)(o)

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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would enter Wisconsin into the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact, which allows occupational therapists licensed in a compact state to receive "compact privilege" to practice in another compact state without obtaining licensure in the second state.

As of August 2021, there are 2,393 occupational therapists certified to provide services under the Wisconsin Medicaid program. In calendar year 2019, the Medicaid program paid a total of \$5.3 million to occupational therapy services providers under its fee-for-service and managed acute care benefits.

If the proposed licensure compact increases the labor supply of occupational therapists in Wisconsin, this could be associated with an increase in the occupational therapy services received by Medical Assistance participants, which could have a fiscal effect on the Medical Assistance program. However, any impact is expected to be minor and the fiscal effect of this policy change is indeterminate.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications