SENATE BILL 470 (LRB -4229)

An Act to create 448.56 (6) of the statutes; relating to: the practice of physical therapist assistants and granting rule-making authority. (FE)

2004

02-25.	S.	Introduced by Senator **Roessler**; cosponsored by Representative **Underheim**.	
02-17.	S.	Read first time and referred to committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care	615
02-19.	S.	Public hearing held.	
02-23.	S.	Fiscal estimate received.	
02-25.	S.	Executive action taken.	
02-27.	S.	Report passage recommended by committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care, Ayes 9, Noes 0	644
02-27.	S.	Available for scheduling.	
03-03.	S.	Placed on calendar 3-4-2004 by committee on Senate Organization.	
03-04.	S.	Read a second time	671
03-04.	S.	Ordered to a third reading	671
03-04.	S.	Rules suspended	671
03-04.	S.	Read a third time and **passed**	671
03-04.	S.	Ordered immediately messaged	671
03-09.	A.	Received from Senate	811
03-09.	A.	Read first time and referred to committee on Rules	811
03-10.	A.	Rules suspended to withdraw from committee on Rules and take up	848
03-10.	A.	Read a second time	848
03-10.	A.	Ordered to a third reading	848
03-10.	A.	Rules suspended	848
03-10.	A.	Read a third time and **concurred in**	848
03-10.	A.	Ordered immediately messaged	848
03-10.	S.	Received from Assembly concurred in.	

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2003 SENATE BILL 470

February 17, 2004 – Introduced by Senator ROESSLER, cosponsored by Representative UNDERHEIM. Referred to Committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care.

1   AN ACT *to create* 448.56 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** the practice of physical

2   therapist assistants and granting rule–making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law that is effective April 1, 2004, a person may not use the title "physical therapist assistant" unless he or she has a license as a physical therapist assistant that is granted by the Physical Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board (board). Current law does not specify what a licensed physical therapist assistant is allowed, or not allowed, to do.

This bill specifies that a person who is licensed as a physical therapist assistant may assist a physical therapist licensed by the board in the practice of physical therapy if the physical therapist provides direct or general supervision of the physical therapist assistant. The bill requires the board to promulgate rules that define what constitutes direct or general supervision. In addition, the bill's provisions do not interfere with certain other delegations to physical therapist assistants, such as delegations by physicians.

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

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

3   SECTION 1. 448.56 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

1   448.56 **(6)** PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS. A physical therapist assistant may

2   assist a physical therapist in the practice of physical therapy if the physical therapist

3   provides direct or general supervision of the physical therapist assistant. The

4   affiliated credentialing board shall promulgate rules defining "direct or general

5   supervision" for purposes of this subsection. Nothing in this subsection interferes

6   with delegation authority under any other provision of this chapter.

7   **(END)**