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May 8, 2003

Dear Mr. Kunkel:

Mark, please find the attached drafting request for the Hearing and Speech Examining Board. If you have any questions, please feel free to conatct me at (608) 266-8608.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Christopher Klein

DRAFT the following 11 Hearing & Speech Proposals as one (1) Bill Draft

#1

PLEASE SUBMIT REQUEST TO <u>EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT</u> WHEN COMPLETED FOR FURTHER PROCESSING. THANK YOU.

Date: 4/15/03

Person or Body requesting draft: Hearing and Speech Examining Board

Name, address and telephone number of board member to contact if there are questions about the proposal Gerard Kupperman, Board Chair; - (262) 567-7639 888 Thackeray Trail, Suite 107; Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Ruby Jefferson-Moore, Board Legal Counsel - (608) 266-3679

Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Clarification is needed that no one may practice Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology without obtaining either a permanent or temporary license.

How should the problem be corrected?

With a legislative change as proposed to s.459.24(1) and/or (6), Stats..

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number?

No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

Attach copies of any correspondence or other material that may assist in the drafting of the legislation.

Licensure of Temporary Licensees

The Board has requested that s.459.24,(1) Stats., be amended to state specifically that no person may engage in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology without obtaining a license under subs. 459.24 (2), 459.24 (3) or 459.24 (6), Stats., as appropriate. Many new graduates practice speech-language pathology or Audiology while completing their postgraduate clinical fellowship without obtaining a temporary license. The Board is requesting that language be included in the statutes stating specifically that prior to commencing a postgraduate clinical fellowship an individual must obtain a temporary license under s. 459.24 (6), Stats.

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Date: April 15, 2003

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Would allow the Board to impose discipline upon an Audiologist who also may fit and dispense hearing aids as it now is able to upon Hearing Instrument Specialists.

How should the problem be corrected?

With a legislative change as proposed.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No.

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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See attached

Examining Clients and Fitting Hearing Instruments

Section 459.10, Stats., sets forth the bases and procedures for investigating and prosecuting complaints filed against hearing instrument specialists. A similar provision relating to disciplinary matters involving audiologists is set forth in 459.34, Stats.

Subsections 459.10(1)(p) and 459.34 (2)(cs), Stats., provide that the Board may impose discipline against a licensee or permittee if it finds that the licensee or permittee has "sold a hearing aid to a person who was not given tests using appropriate procedures and instrumentation or without proper measurement of the functional intensity and range of the person's hearing." These provisions can be interpreted to mean that hearing instrument specialists and audiologists who sell hearing instruments to clients must also examine and fit the clients. This interpretation would not permit a licensee to sell a hearing instrument to a client based upon an examination and fitting performed by another licensee. The Board is requesting that the statute be revised to reflect that hearing instrument specialists and audiologists may sell hearing instruments to clients based upon their own examinations and fitting or based upon examination and fitting performed by some other hearing instrument specialist or audiologist.

[Note: The Board has a rule in effect already that establishes the appropriate time frame for the performance of hearing tests prior to the selling and fitting of a hearing instrument and would like to continue establishing that requirement by rule. See, s. HAS 4.04.]

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation

Repeal Subchapter III Registration of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists. This provision of the law is no longer necessary, as the Board no longer registers but licenses Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists.

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending the statutes.

AM 440.05 (INTO) 440.08(8)(a) (M.H.) 440.23 (1)

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No.

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Create a provision in subs. 459.34 (2), to include "unprofessional conduct" as a basis for disciplinary action by the Board. The Board has authority under subs. 459.10 (1)(k), to discipline Hearing Instrument Specialists who engage in unprofessional conduct, but it does not have similar authority under subs. 459.34 (2), to discipline Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists who engage in such conduct.

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending statutes.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Section 459.24(6) (c) should be amended to allow the Board to designate by rule, the length of time of a temporary credential for Speech Language Pathologists & Audiologists. Current law requires this length of time be only 9 months. The Board & applicants have experienced problems with the 9-month time period. It is felt this time should be longer & it would be better to specify this in rule rather than statutes.

In addition, the Board proposes to amend subs. 459.24 (6) to state that a temporary licensee must not only submit an application to take the next available examination, but must, in fact, take the next available examination. S.459.24 (6) (a) (b) and (c), Stats., state, in part, that a temporary licensee must submit an "application to take the next available examination" for licensure. In the past, some temporary

licensees have signed up to take the examination, but failed to show up to take the examination. The Board is requesting that the Statutes be revised to state that temporary licensees must "take" the next available examination, not just sign up to take the next available examination.

How should the problem be corrected?

The Board is proposing to revise statutes, s. \$49.26(6) (c), Stats., to remove the reference to the 9 months and to indicate that the time period will be established by the Board by rule.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number?

No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Amend Section 459.24 (2)(f) to add an equivalency provision for the fellowship for Speech-Language Pathologists similar to what is contained in s. 459.24(3)(f).

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending the statutes.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Amend Section 459.22 (2)(f) to provide an exemption from licensure for Audiologists [add the word "audiologists" after speech-language pathologists"]. The Board also requests that s. 459.22(2) (f) be revised to clarify that speech and language pathologists and audiologists who are licensed solely by DPI may practice only in a school setting (they may not practice outside the school setting) In addition, the

Statutes should be revised to clarify that audiologists licensed by DPI may not engage in the practice of fitting and dealing in hearing instruments unless they are also licensed by the Board.

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending statutes.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No.

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Section 459.09 and 459.095 and 459.24 (5) and (5m) needs to be amended so that Hearing Instrument Specialists, Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists who are licensed are not required to complete the continuing education requirement until after the first renewal of their license.

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending the statutes.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? As part of the budget repair bill.

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

None

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

Section 459.035 states that a hearing aid shall not be fitted for or sold to a child 16 years of age or younger unless within 90 days prior to the fitting the person to be fitted has been examined by a physician to determine whether he or she has any physical deficiencies that would prohibit the effective use of a hearing aid. The Board requests that s. 459.035 be amended to change "16 years of age or.

younger" to "18 years of age or younger."

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending the statutes.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number?

No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

The Board is requesting that subs. 15.405 (6m) be amended to increase the number of audiologist and speech-language pathologist members on the Board from 1 to 2.

How should the problem be corrected?

By statute.

Has this proposal been introduced as legislation before? If so, when and under what bill number? No

What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

A slight increase in travel and per diem expenses for the additional board members.

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Describe the problem to be corrected by the legislation.

The Board would like to revise Section 459.07 of the statutes to state that a hearing instrument specialist trainee may be supervised by an audiologist or hearing instrument specialist.

How should the problem be corrected?

By amending the statutes.

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What is the likely fiscal effect of the proposal?

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AN ACT ...; relating to: various changes to the regulation of hearing instrument 1

specialists, speech-language pathologists, and audiologists.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be prepared for a subsequent version of this draft.

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:

- **SECTION 1.** 15.405 (6m) (c) 1. of the statutes is repealed. 3
- **SECTION 2.** 15.405 (6m) (c) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 15.405 (6m) (c) and 4
- 5 amended to read:
- 6 15.405 (6m) (c) One audiologist Two audiologists licensed under subch. II of ch.
- 7 459. This subdivision applies after June 30, 1993.

History: 1973 c. 90, 156; 1975 c. 39, 86, 199, 200, 383, 422; 1977 c. 26, 29, 203; 1977 c. 418; 1979 c. 34 ss. 45, 47 to 52; 1979 c. 221, 304; 1981 c. 94 ss. 5, 9; 1981 c. 356; 1983 a. 27, 403, 485, 538; 1985 a. 340; 1987 a. 257 s. 2; 1987 a. 264, 265, 316; 1989 a. 316, 340; 1991 a. 39, 78, 160, 189, 269; 1993 a. 16, 102, 463, 465, 491; 1995 a. 27 s. SECTION 3. 15.405 (6m) (d) 1. of the statutes is repealed.

1	SECTION 4. 15.405 (6m) (d) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 15.405 (6m) (d) and
2	amended to read:
3	15.405 (6m) (d) One Two speech-language pathologist pathologists licensed
4	under subch. II of ch. 459. This subdivision applies after June 30, 1993.
5	History: 1973 c. 90, 156; 1975 c. 39, 86, 199, 200, 383, 422; 1977 c. 26, 29, 203; 1977 c. 418; 1979 c. 34 ss. 45, 47 to 52; 1979 c. 221, 304; 1981 c. 94 ss. 5, 9; 1981 c. 356; 1983 a. 27, 403, 485, 538; 1985 a. 340; 1987 a. 257 s. 2; 1987 a. 264, 265, 316; 1989 a. 316, 340; 1991 a. 39, 78, 160, 189, 269; 1993 a. 16, 102, 463, 465, 491; 1995 a. 27 s. 9126 (19); 1995 a. 225; 1995 a. 305 s. 1; 1995 a. 321, 417; 1997 a. 96, 252, 300; 2001 a. 16, 80. SECTION 5. 440.04 (8) of the statutes is repealed.
6	SECTION 6. 440.05 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	440.05 Standard fees. (intro.) The following standard fees apply to all initial
8	credentials, except as provided in ss. 440.42, 440.43, 440.44, 440.51, 444.03, 444.05,
9	444.11, 447.04 (2) (c) 2., 449.17, and 449.18 and 459.46:
10	History: 1977 c. 29, 418; 1979 c. 34; 1979 c. 175 s. 53; 1979 c. 221 s. 2202 (45); 1983 a. 27; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 264, 265, 329, 399, 403; 1989 a. 31, 229, 307, 316, 336, 340, 341, 359; 1991 a. 39, 269, 278, 315; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27; 1997 a. 27, 96; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16. SECTION 7. 440.08 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
11	440.08 (2) (a) (intro.) Except as provided in par. (b) and in ss. 440.51, 442.04,
12	444.03, 444.05, 444.11, 448.065, 447.04 (2) (c) 2., 449.17, and 449.18 and 459.46, the
13	renewal dates and renewal fees for credentials are as follows:
14	History: 1991 a. 39 ss. 3305, 3313; 1991 a. 78, 160, 167, 269, 278, 315; 1993 a. 3, 16, 102, 105, 107, 443, 463, 465; 1993 a. 490 ss. 228 to 230, 274, 275; 1995 a. 27, 233, 321, 322, 461; 1997 a. 27, 75, 81, 96, 156, 191, 237, 261, 300; 1399 a. 9, 32; 2001 a. 16, 70, 74, 80, 89. SECTION 8. 440.23 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
15	440.23 (1) If the holder of a credential pays a fee required under s. 440.05 (1)
16	or (6), 440.08, 444.03, 444.05, <u>or</u> 444.11 or 459.46 (2) (b) by check or debit or credit
17	card and the check is not paid by the financial institution upon which the check is
18	drawn or if the demand for payment under the debit or credit card transaction is not
19	paid by the financial institution upon which demand is made, the department may
20	cancel the credential on or after the 60th day after the department receives the notice
21	from the financial institution, subject to sub. (2).

1	459.035 Medical exam before being fitted. A hearing aid shall not be fitted
2	for or sold to a child 16 person 18 years of age or younger unless within 90 days prior
3	to the fitting the person to be fitted has been examined by a physician to determine
4	whether or not he or she has any physical deficiencies that would prohibit the
5	effective use of a hearing aid.
6	History: 1979 c. 162 s. 38 (4). SECTION 10. 459.07 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	459.07 (1) An applicant who fulfills the requirements regarding age, character
8	and high school education as set forth in s. 459.06, may obtain a trainee permit upon
9	application to the examining board. The name of the licensee person who is
10	supervising the trainee shall appear on the face of the permit.
11	History: 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 162 s. 38 (4); 1995 a. 170. SECTION 11. 459.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
12	459.07 (2) Upon receiving an application under this section, accompanied by
13	the fee under s. 440.05 (6), the examining board may grant a trainee permit which
14	may entitle the applicant to practice fitting of hearing aids for a period of one year.
15	A person holding a valid hearing instrument specialist license issued under this
16	subchapter or a valid license or permit to practice audiology issued under subch. II
17	shall be responsible for the direct supervision and training of the applicant and shall
18	be liable for all negligent acts and omissions of the trainee in the fitting of hearing
19	aids.
20	History: 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 162 s. 38 (4); 1995 a. 170. SECTION 12. 459.09 of the statutes is renumbered 459.09 (1) (intro.) and
21	amended to read:
22	459.09 Renewal of license. (1) (intro.) Each person issued a license under
23	this subchapter shall, on or before the applicable renewal date specified under s.
24	440.08 (2) (a), pay do all of the following:

(a) Pay to the department the applicable renewal fee specified under s. 440.0)8
(2) (a) and, for a license that expires on or after February 1, 2001, submit.	

- (b) Submit with the renewal application proof that he or she completed, within the 2 years immediately preceding the date of his or her application, 20 hours of continuing education programs or courses of study approved or required under rules promulgated under s. 459.095. This paragraph does not apply to an applicant for renewal of a license that expires on the first renewal date after the date on which the examining board initially granted the license.
- (2) A licensee shall keep the a certificate of renewal issued by the department conspicuously posted in his or her office or place of business at all times. Where more than one office is operated by the licensee, duplicate certificates shall be issued by the department for posting in each location.

History: 1977 c. 29; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 49; 1999 a. 9.

SECTION 13. 459.095 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

459.095 (3) In consultation with the department, promulgate rules that require each person issued a license under this subchapter to whom s. 459.09 (1) (b) applies to complete a specified continuing education program or course of study to ensure competence with respect to a matter related to the practice of fitting and dealing in hearing aids if the examining board has received a significant number of consumer complaints about the matter or if the examining board otherwise determines that there is a need for such a requirement. Rules promulgated under this subsection shall establish criteria for the examining board's approval of the continuing education program or course of study and of sponsors and cosponsors of the continuing education program or course of study. The rules shall also require the examining board to administer, prior to the continuing education program or course

of study, an examination on the matter that is the subject of the continuing education program or course of study and to waive a requirement to complete the continuing education program or course of study if a person granted a license under this subchapter passes the examination. A person who takes an examination specified in this subsection shall pay the fee specified in s. 440.05 (1) (b).

History: 1997 a. 49. SECTION 14. 459.10 (1) (p) of the statutes is amended to read:

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459.22 (2) (f) Require an individual to be licensed under this subchapter to engage in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology, other than engaging in the practice of fitting and dealing in hearing aids, in a position for which the department of public instruction requires licensure as a speech and language pathologist or audiologist, if the individual's entire practice of speech-language pathology or audiology, other than engaging in the practice of fitting and dealing in hearing aids, is limited to the duties of that position.

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2	459.24 (1) (b) Engage in the practice of audiology or use the title "audiologist",
3	"clinical audiologist" or any similar title unless the person holds a current audiologist
4	license granted by the examining board under sub. (3) or (6) (b).
5	History: 1989 a. 316; 1993 a. 16, 66; 1997 a. 49; 1999 a. 9. SECTION 18. 459.24 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:
6	459.24 (2) (f) Submits evidence satisfactory to the examining board that he or
7	she has completed a postgraduate clinical fellowship in speech–language pathology
8	approved by the examining board or has completed education or training that the
9	examining board determines is substantially equivalent to the completion of such a
10	$\underline{\mathrm{fellowship}}.$
11	History: 1989 a. 316, 1993 a. 16, 66; 1997 a. 49; 1999 a. 9. SECTION 19. 459.24 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 459.24 (5) (intro.) and
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13	459.24 (5) Expiration and renewal. (intro.) The renewal dates for licenses
14	granted under this subchapter, other than temporary licenses granted under sub.
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16	department on a form provided by the department and shall include the all of the
17	following:
18	(a) The renewal fee specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a) and, for licenses that expire on
19	or after February 1, 2001, proof.
20	(b) Proof that the applicant completed, within the 2 years immediately
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18	Section 26. Nonstatutory provisions.
19	(1) NEW MEMBERS OF HEARING AND SPEECH EXAMINING BOARD. Notwithstanding
20	the length of term specified in section 15.405 (6m) (intro.) of the statutes, the
21	additional members of the hearing and speech examining board under this act shall
22	be initially appointed for the following terms:
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24	2007.

1 (b) One audiologist member, for a term expiring on July 1, 2008.

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CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

DATE:

September 8, 2003

TO:

Mark D. Kunkel

Senior Legislative Attorney Legislative Reference Bureau

FROM:

Ruby Jefferson-Moore RTM

Office of Legal Counsel

SUBJECT:

Hearing and Speech Examining Board Proposed Legislation (LRB-2943/P1)

Response to Clearinghouse Report – Rule 03-025

Your July 15, 2003 memorandum to Christopher Klein relating to the Hearing and Speech Examining Board's proposed legislation has been forwarded to me for response. Based upon consultations with Dr. Gerard Kupperman, Chairman of the Board, and Dr. Michael Thelen, the Board's Secretary, the Board's response is as follows:

Question:

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licenses. Does the amendment address the board's concerns?

Response:

Yes, the proposed amendment addresses the board's concerns. The ideal amendment would also include a specific reference to the requirement in s. 459.24 (6), Stats. Note that the board concurs with your conclusion that the current statutes can be interpreted to mean that an individual must obtain a temporary license prior to commencing a post-graduate fellowship. In fact, the Board's interpretation of the statutes is reflected in subs. HAS 6.10 (1), Code. The Board's concern is that over the years, it has disciplined many individuals for practicing speech-language pathology and/or audiology without a temporary license during the completion of their post graduate fellowship. Hopefully, the amendment will make it clear to new graduates, and their supervisors, that the new graduates must obtain a temporary license prior to commencing a post graduate fellowship.

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Response:

Page 7, Section 23: In reference to the Board's request to revise the statutes to require temporary licensees to take the next available examination for licensure, it is recommended that the "exception" be omitted from the statutes and that the statutes state only that the license is valid for a period designated by the examining board. Then, the Board could establish the time period by rule. For example, the Board could state in its rules that "a temporary license is valid for one year, except that if the applicant fails to take the next available examinations

one year, except that if the applicant fails to take the next available examinations specified in s. 459.26 (2) (a) or (b), for reasons other than hardship or inaction by the Board, the temporary license shall expire on the fifth (?) calendar day following the administration of the next available examinations".

If the exception is retained, the following language is recommended:

459.24 (6) (c) A temporary license granted under this subsection is valid for a period designated by the examining board, not to exceed 9 months except that if the applicant fails to take the next available examinations specified in par. (a) or (b), for reasons other than hardship or inaction by the Board, the temporary license shall expire on the fifth (?) calendar day following the administration of the next available examinations.

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Additional Comments:

(1) Throughout the revision, the word "person" has been changed to "purchaser". However, the person who uses the hearing instrument is frequently not the purchaser. For example, children may be the users of the hearing aids, but their parents are the purchasers. Similarly, Wisconsin Medical Assistance purchases hearing aids, but they are not the user. "Person" is the correct term and should be retained.

Page 3, Section 9: The language should be changed to "17 or younger".

(3) <u>Page 3, Section 10:</u> It is recommended that the term "licensee" be retained.

Page 3, Section 11: It is assumed that the reference to "permit" relates to the limited permits granted to out-of-state audiologists under s. 459.32. Since those credentials are granted for such a short period of time (up to 45 days), those audiologists would not have sufficient time to provide any type of meaningful supervision. Therefore, the reference to "permit" should be omitted from the draft. To avoid any questions regarding whether "audiologist trainees" will be authorized to supervise hearing instrument specialist trainees, it is recommended that the reference to "subch. II" be omitted and that a specific reference to 459.24 (3) be included instead. That change would make it clear that only hearing instrument specialists and audiologists will be permitted to supervise hearing instrument specialist trainees.

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(6) Page 8, Section 25: It is recommended that the definition of "unprofessional conduct" be omitted and that the Board be permitted to define the term by rule.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 266-3679.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be prepared for a subsequent version of this draft.

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:

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8	amended to read:
9	15.405 (6m) (d) One Two speech-language pathologist pathologists licensed
10	under subch. II of ch. 459. This subdivision applies after June 30, 1993.
11	SECTION 5. 440.04 (8) of the statutes is repealed.
12	SECTION 6. 440.05 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
13	440.05 Standard fees. (intro.) The following standard fees apply to all initial
14	credentials, except as provided in ss. 440.42, 440.43, 440.44, 440.51, 444.03, 444.05,
15	444.11, 447.04 (2) (c) 2., 449.17, and 449.18 and 459.46:
16	SECTION 7. 440.08 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
17	440.08 (2) (a) (intro.) Except as provided in par. (b) and in ss. 440.51, 442.04,
18	444.03, 444.05, 444.11, 448.065, 447.04 (2) (c) 2., 449.17, and 449.18 and 459.46, the
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20	SECTION 8. 440.23 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
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22	or (6), 440.08, 444.03, 444.05, <u>or</u> 444.11 or 459.46 (2) (b) by check or debit or credit
23	card and the check is not paid by the financial institution upon which the check is
24	drawn or if the demand for payment under the debit or credit card transaction is not
25	paid by the financial institution upon which demand is made, the department may

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1 cancel the credential on or after the 60th day after the department receives the notice 2 from the financial institution, subject to sub. (2).

SECTION 9. 459.035 of the statutes is amended to read:

459.035 Medical exam before being fitted. A hearing aid shall not be fitted for or sold to a child 16 person be years of age or younger unless within 90 days prior to the fitting the person to be fitted has been examined by a physician to determine whether or not he or she has any physical deficiencies that would prohibit the effective use of a hearing aid.

SECTION 10. 459:07 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

459.07 (1) An applicant who fulfills the requirements regarding age, character and high school education as set forth in s. 459.06, may obtain a trainee permit upon application to the examining board. The name of the licensee person who is supervising the trainee shall appear on the face of the permit.

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459.07 (2) Upon receiving an application under this section, accompanied by the fee under s. 440.05 (6), the examining board may grant a trainee permit which may entitle the applicant to practice fitting of hearing aids for a period of one year. A person holding a valid hearing instrument specialist license issued under this subchapter or a valid license of permit to practice audiology issued under the shall be responsible for the direct supervision and training of the applicant and shall be liable for all negligent acts and omissions of the trainee in the fitting of hearing aids.

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10	(2) (a) and, for a license that expires on or after February 1, 2001, submit.
11	(b) Submit with the renewal application proof that he or she completed, within
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may be renewed once by the examining board. A temporary license granted under par. (b) may be renewed once by the examining board if the applicant fails an examination for audiologist licensure under s. 459.26 (2) (a) or (b) and applies to take the next available examination or if the applicant shows, to the satisfaction of the examining board, sufficient cause for the renewal. An applicant for a temporary license shall pay the fee specified in s. 440.05 (6).

SECTION 24. 459.34 (2) (cs) of the statutes is amended to read:

459.34 (2) (cs) Sold a hearing aid to a person purchaser who was not given tests

by the applicant, licensee, permittee, of any other person using appropriate

procedures and instrumentation or without proper measurement by the applicant,

licensee, permittee, or any other person of the functional intensity and range of the

person's purchaser's hearing. This paragraph does not apply to speech-language

13 pathologists.

SECTION 25. 459.34 (2) (h) of the statutes is created to read:

459.34 (2) (h) Engaged in unprofessional conduct. In this paragraph, "unprofessional conduct" means the violation of any standard of professional behavior that through experience, state statute, or administrative rule has become established in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology.

Section 26. Subchapter III of chapter 459 [precedes 459.40] of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 27. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) NEW MEMBERS OF HEARING AND SPEECH EXAMINING BOARD. Notwithstanding the length of term specified in section 15.405 (6m) (intro.) of the statutes, the additional members of the hearing and speech examining board under this act shall be initially appointed for the following terms:

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1	(a) One speech-language pathologist member, for a term expiring on July 1,
2	2007.
3	(b) One audiologist member, for a term expiring on July 1, 2008.

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This bill makes the following changes to the regulation of hearing instrument specialists, audiologists, and speech—language pathologists by the Hearing and Speech Examining Board (board):

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1. Under current law, a person may not engage in the practice of dealing in or fitting hearing aids unless he or she has a hearing instrument specialist license or training permit issued by the board. In addition, a person who is issued a training permit must be supervised by a licensed hearing instrument specialist. Under this licensed as an audiologistamay also supervise a person bill, a person/with a training permit may also supervised by a person licensed as

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3. Current law specifies various grounds for which the board may discipline a person licensed as a hearing instrument specialist, speech-language pathologist, or audiologist. This bill allows the board to discipline a speech-language pathologist or audiologist who engages in unprofessional conduct as defined by rule by the board. Under current law, the board may discipline a hearing instrument specialist for unprofessional conduct.

- 4. Under current law, the board may issue a temporary license that allows a person to practice as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist for a period of no more than months. This bill eliminates the month limit and allows the board to promulgate rules that designate the period of a temporary license. The rules may designate a period that terminates if an applicant fails to take the next available examination that is required for a license for reasons other than inaction by the board or hardship.
- 5. Under current law, a hearing instrument specialist or audiologist must test the hearing or observe the ear canal of a person who purchases a hearing aid. This bill also requires such testing or observation for a person for whom a hearing aid is purchased.
- 6. The bill prohibits a hearing instrument specialist or audiologist from fitting or selling a hearing aid for a person 17 years or younger unless the person has been examined by a physician within the previous 90 days. Under current law, the prohibition applies to a person who is 16 years or younger.
- 7. Under current law, persons who are licensed by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) as speech–language pathologists are exempt from the board's licensing requirements. This bill also exempts persons licensed as audiologists by DPI. In addition, the bill clarifies that the exemptions apply only if a person's entire practice of speech–language pathology or audiology is limited to the position for which the person is licensed by DPI.
- 8. Under current law, a person may be licensed by the board as a speech-language pathologist if he or she satisfies certain requirements, including completion of a postgraduate clinical fellowship.

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also complete education or training that the board determines is substantially similar to such a fellowship.

9. Under current law, a person is not allowed to use a title related to audiology or speech—language pathology, or practice audiology or speech—language pathology, unless he or she is issued a license by the board. Prior to July 1, 1993, such persons were issued certificates of registration by the board. This bill eliminates all outdated references to audiology and speech—language pathology certificates of registration.

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SECTION 4. 459.03 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

459.03 (1) Whoever practices fitting or selling of hearing aids under this subchapter shall deliver to each person supplied with a hearing aid a receipt. The receipt shall contain the licensee's signature and show the licensee's business address and certificate license number, together with specifications as to the make and model of the hearing aid furnished and full terms of sale clearly stated. If a hearing aid which is not new is sold, the receipt and the container thereof must be clearly marked as "used" or "reconditioned" whichever is applicable.

History: 1989 a. 316; 1991 a. 32; 1997 a. 49.

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SECTION 4. 459.05 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

459.05 (1m) Whenever the examining board determines that another state or jurisdiction has requirements equivalent to or higher than those in effect in the state for the practice of fitting and selling hearing aids, and that such state or jurisdiction has a program equivalent to or stricter than the program for determining whether applicants in this state are qualified to fit and sell hearing aids, the department may issue a license by reciprocity to applicants who hold valid certificates or licenses to

1	deal in or fit hearing aids in such other state or jurisdiction, who pay the fee specified
2	in s. 440.05 (2) and who are otherwise qualified for licensure. No applicant for a
3	license by reciprocity under this subsection shall be required to submit to or undergo
4	a qualifying examination, if the applicant personally appears at the next meeting of
5	the examining board after filing the application to answer any questions the
6	examining board has.
7	History: 1975 c. 224; 1977 c. 29, 418; 1979 c. 162 s. 38 (4); 1991 a. 39. INSERT 5–13:
8	SECTION 8. 459.10 (1) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:
9	459.10 (1) (i) Failed to conduct a direct observation of the purchaser's ear canal
10	of a person for whom a hearing aid is purchased.
11	History: 1983 a. 229; 1989 a. 316; 1977 a. 191. SECTION 44, 459.10 (1) (p) of the statutes is amended to read:
12	459.10 (1) (p) Sold a hearing aid to for use by a person who was not given tests
13	by a hearing instrument specialist or audiologist licensed under this chapter or in
14	another state using appropriate procedures and instrumentation or without proper
15	measurement of the functional intensity and range of the person's hearing.
16	History: 1983 a. 229; 1989 a. 316; 1997 a. 191. INSERT 6–15:
17	SECTION 54 459.24 (3m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
18	459.24 (3m) (a) Deliver to each person supplied with a hearing aid a receipt.
19	The receipt shall contain the signature and show the business address and certificate
20	license or permit number of the licensee or permittee, together with specifications
21	as to the make and model of the hearing aid and full terms of sale clearly stated. If
22	a hearing aid that is not new is sold, the receipt and the container must be clearly

1	SECTION 17. 459.24 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
2	459.24 (1) (a) Engage in the practice of speech-language pathology or use the
3	title "speech-language pathologist" or any similar title unless the person holds a
4	current speech-language pathologist license granted by the examining board under
5	sub. (2) or (6) (a).
6	SECTION 18. 459.24 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	459.24 (1) (b) Engage in the practice of audiology or use the title "audiologist",
8	"clinical audiologist" or any similar title unless the person holds a current audiologist
9	license granted by the examining board under sub. (3) or (6) (b).
10	SECTION 19. 459.24 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:
11	459.24 (2) (f) Submits evidence satisfactory to the examining board that he or
12	she has completed a postgraduate clinical fellowship in speech-language pathology
13	approved by the examining board or has completed education or training that the
14	examining board determines is substantially equivalent to the completion of such a
15	fellowship.
16	SECTION 20. 459.24 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 459.24 (5) (intro.) and
17	amended to read:
18	459.24 (5) EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL. (intro.) The renewal dates for licenses
19	granted under this subchapter, other than temporary licenses granted under sub.
20	(6), are specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a). Renewal applications shall be submitted to the
21	department on a form provided by the department and shall include the all of the
22	following:
23	(a) The renewal fee specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a) and, for licenses that expire on
24	or after February 1, 2001, proof.
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1	marked as "used" or "reconditioned", whichever is applicable. The terms of the
2	guarantee, if there is any given, shall be set out in not less than 8-point type.
3	History: 1989 a. 316; 1993 a. 16, 1997 a. 49; 1999 a. 9. SECTION 6, 459.24 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
$\overline{4}$	459.24 (4) Posting of license certificate. The department shall issue a
(5)	certificate to each licensee, certifying that the holder is licensed <u>Each person issued</u>
6	a license under this subchapter to practice speech-language pathology or audiology-
7.	The licensee shall post the certificate license in a conspicuous place in the licensee's
8	place of business.
9	History: 1989 a. 316; 1993 a. 16, 66; 1997 a. 49; 1999 a. 9. INSERT 7–25:
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14	SECTION 459.34 (2) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:
15	459.34 (2) (cm) Failed to conduct a direct observation of the ear canal of a
16	purchaser of person for whom a hearing aid is purchased. This paragraph does not
17	apply to speech-language pathologists.
18	History: 1989 a. 316; 1997 a. 49, 31. SECTION 459.34 (2) (cs) of the statutes is amended to read:
19	459.34 (2) (cs) Sold a hearing aid to for use by a person who was not given tests
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22	measurement of the functional intensity and range of the person's hearing. This
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