

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Senate Bill 39	Senate Amendment 1
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2013 Senate Bill 39 relates to the process by which a public accountant may be certified to practice in Wisconsin and certain requirements for such certification.

Under *current law*, the Accounting Examining Board (board) is required to hold public accountant certification examinations at least once each year. The board must provide notice of an examination by publishing a Class 2 notice in at least one daily newspaper in Milwaukee and one in Madison, at least 30 days prior to the examination. In addition, it must provide notice of an examination to any applicant who has made an inquiry prior to the required newspaper notices.

**The bill** replaces the notice requirements of current law with a simple statement that the board "shall give public notice of each examination at least 30 days prior to the examination." It also modernizes the language in current law that requires the board to conduct annual examinations.

Senate Amendment 1 repeals in its entirety the requirement of current law that the board provide notice of each examination.

## Legislative History

On March 27, 2013, the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Public Works, and Telecommunications voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 to 2013 Senate Bill 39, and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 7; and Noes, 0.

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