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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The State Public Defender (SPD) is statutorily authorized and required to appoint attorneys to represent indigent defendants in criminal and certain commitment proceedings. The SPD plays a critical role in ensuring that the Wisconsin justice system complies with the right to counsel provided by both the state and federal constitutions. Any legislation has the potential to increase SPD costs if it creates a new criminal offense, expands the definition of an existing criminal offense, or increases the penalties for an existing offense.

This bill regulates the practice of clinical exercise physiology, defined in the bill to include working with individuals who have chronic medical conditions for which exercise training has been shown to have a therapeutic benefit; administering clinical exercise assessments to individuals who have or are at risk for cardiovascular, pulmonary, or other chronic medical conditions; providing individuals with education and instruction based upon medical history, clinical assessment outcomes, and exercise training principles; and developing and implementing exercise training protocols and programs for individuals who have or are at risk for cardiovascular, pulmonary, and other chronic medical conditions for which exercise training has been shown to have a therapeutic benefit. Under the bill, no one may use the title "clinical exercise physiologist" or make similar representations without a license to practice clinical exercise physiology (license). A license is granted by the five-member Clinical Exercise Physiology Affiliated Credentialing Board (board), created in the bill. Under the bill, the board is attached for limited purposes to the Medical Examining Board, which regulates physicians and certain other professions. This bill sets forth various licensure requirements. This bill includes provisions related to the discipline of licensees and applies certain other laws, such as the law providing for confidentiality of health records and the health care workers whistleblowers protection law, to licensed clinical exercise physiologists.

This bill is unlikely to have a significant fiscal effect on the SPD; however, if a number of bills creating new criminal penalties are viewed as having a cumulative effect on the number of SPD cases, then because of the annual caseloads for staff attorney positions specified for budgeting purposes under § 977.08(5), Stats., it would be likely that the SPD would require additional staff attorney positions.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications