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## 2015 SENATE BILL 449

December 11, 2015 – Introduced by Senators DARLING, KAPENGA, STROEBEL, L. TAYLOR, VUKMIR and GUDEx, cosponsored by Representatives KNODL, HORLACHER, HUTTON, KREMER, KUGLITSCH, T. LARSON, A. OTT, RODRIGUEZ, SANFELIPPO, SKOWRONSKI and WEATHERSTON. Referred to Committee on Economic Development and Commerce.

1     **AN ACT** *to renumber* 118.191 (2); *to renumber and amend* 118.191 (1); *to*  
2             *amend* 118.191 (title), 118.191 (4), 118.191 (5) (a) (intro.) and 118.191 (7); and  
3             *to create* 118.191 (1) (b), 118.191 (2) (b) and 118.191 (5m) of the statutes;  
4             **relating to:** licenses to teach vocational education subjects.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill expands the experience-based method to obtain a license to teach a technical education subject, created in 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, to include licenses to teach vocational education subjects. Under the bill, vocational education subjects include agriculture, child services, clothing services, food services, housing and equipment services, family and consumer education, family and consumer services, home economics-related occupations, health care-related occupations, business education, and marketing education. This bill does not affect other processes by which an individual may obtain a license to teach a vocational education subject under current law.

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

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

**SENATE BILL 449****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 118.191 (title) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55,  
2 is amended to read:

3           **118.191 (title) Experience-based licensure for technical and vocational**  
4 **education subjects.**

5           **SECTION 2.** 118.191 (1) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is  
6 renumbered 118.191 (1) (intro.) and amended to read:

7           118.191 (1) (intro.) In this section, “technical:

8           (a) “Technical education subject” includes technology education, and any  
9 technology related occupation.

10           **SECTION 3.** 118.191 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

11           118.191 (1) (b) “Vocational education subject” includes agriculture, child  
12 services, clothing services, food services, housing and equipment services, family and  
13 consumer education, family and consumer services, home economics-related  
14 occupations, health care-related occupations, trade specialist, business education,  
15 business and office, and marketing education.

16           **SECTION 4.** 118.191 (2) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is  
17 renumbered 118.191 (2) (a).

18           **SECTION 5.** 118.191 (2) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

19           118.191 (2) (b) Notwithstanding s. 118.19 (7) to (9), the department shall grant  
20 an initial teaching license to teach a vocational education subject to an individual  
21 who is eligible for licensure under s. 118.19 (4) and (10), who scores at least 100 points  
22 on the point system under sub. (5m), of which at least 25 points are from sub. (5m)  
23 (a) 1. and at least 25 points are from sub. (5m) (a) 2., and who agrees to complete  
24 during the term of the license a curriculum determined by the school board of the  
25 school district in which the individual will teach.

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1           **SECTION 6.** 118.191 (4) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is  
2 amended to read:

3           118.191 (4) Upon expiration of an initial teaching license issued under sub. (2),  
4 the department shall issue to the license holder a professional teaching license to  
5 teach the technical education subject or vocational education subject if the individual  
6 successfully completed the curriculum that the individual agreed to under sub. (2),  
7 as determined by the school board of the school district that established the  
8 curriculum.

9           **SECTION 7.** 118.191 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin  
10 Act 55, is amended to read:

11           118.191 (5) (a) (intro.) The department shall use the following point system to  
12 evaluate an applicant for an initial teaching license to teach a technical education  
13 subject under sub. (2) (a):

14           **SECTION 8.** 118.191 (5m) of the statutes is created to read:

15           118.191 (5m) (a) The department shall use the following point system to  
16 evaluate an applicant for an initial teaching license to teach a vocational education  
17 subject under sub. (2) (b):

18           1. The following for experience related to the vocational education subject that  
19 is the subject of the initial teaching license:

20           a. For a bachelor's degree in any science, technology, engineering, or  
21 mathematics field or in a field related to the vocational education subject and any  
22 teaching license or permit, 100 points.

23           b. For a bachelor's degree in any science, technology, engineering, or  
24 mathematics field or in a field related to the vocational education subject, 75 points.

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1 c. For a bachelor's degree in a field other than those described in subd. 1. a., 65  
2 points.

3 d. For industry certification in the vocation, 90 points.

4 e. For experience in the vocation, 5 points per 40 hours worked up to a  
5 maximum of 90 points.

6 f. For an internship in the vocation, 25 points.

7 g. For being mentored in the vocation by a colleague or a mentor approved by  
8 a recognized vocational association, 25 points.

9 h. For an apprenticeship in the vocation, 5 points per 40 hours worked up to  
10 a maximum of 90 points.

11 2. The following for pedagogical experience:

12 a. For a bachelor's degree in any field and any teaching license or permit, 75  
13 points.

14 b. For credit earned at an accredited institution of higher education or technical  
15 college, 3 points per credit up to a maximum of 75 points for courses in any science,  
16 technology, engineering, or mathematics field or in a field related to the vocational  
17 education subject and 3 points per credit up to a maximum of 75 points for education  
18 and pedagogical courses.

19 c. For completing at least 100 hours of training in pedagogy, 5 points per 50  
20 hours up to a maximum of 75 points.

21 (b) The department shall verify the information in par. (a) using only the  
22 following:

23 1. For par. (a) 1. a. to c. and 2. a. and b., the applicant's transcript for the  
24 applicable degree or credits.

25 2. For par. (a) 1. d., the applicant's vocational certificate.

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1           3. For par. (a) 1. e. to h., the signature of a supervisor, employer, or other reliable  
2 observer.

3           4. For par. (a) 2. c., verification by a course instructor, a transcript, or a  
4 certificate.

5           5. If the applicant is unable to provide the verification required under subds.  
6 1. to 4., any other proof of the applicant's experience approved by the department.

7           **SECTION 9.** 118.191 (7) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is  
8 amended to read:

9           118.191 (7) Nothing in this section prohibits the department from granting a  
10 teaching license to teach a technical education subject or a vocational education  
11 subject under s. 118.19.

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