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AN ACT to repeal 15.07 (1) (b) 19m., 15.07 (1) (b) 23., 15.07 (3) (bm) 3., 15.07 (3) (bm) 6., 15.07 (5) (c), 15.07 (5) (z), 15.08 (3) (c), 15.085 (1m), 15.085 (3) (b), 15.405 (2) (b), 15.405 (2) (c), 15.405 (2m), 15.405 (3), 15.405 (3m), 15.405 (7c) (am) 4., 15.405 (7c) (b), 15.405 (7c) (c), 15.405 (7c) (d), 15.405 (7c) (e), 15.405 (7c) (f), 15.405 (7e), 15.406, 15.407 (2), 15.407 (2m), 15.407 (7), 15.407 (9), 15.407 (11), 15.407 (16), 15.407 (18) (c), 101.625, 157.061 (2g), 180.1901 (1m) (ag), 180.1901 (1m) (bk), 180.1901 (1m) (bs), 180.1901 (1m) (bu), 440.03 (9) (c), 440.032 (title), 440.032 (1) (b), 440.032 (6) (a), 440.032 (6) (e), 440.032 (7) (title), 440.317, 440.329 (1b), 440.905, 440.987, 443.10 (3), 443.11 (5), subchapter III (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.50], 448.51 (2) (a), 448.52 (title), 448.527 (title), 448.565 (title), 448.567 (title), 448.58 (title), 448.59 (title), 448.70 (1), 448.95 (1), 448.951 (title), 448.952 (title), 448.958 (title), 448.959 (title), 448.961 (intro.), 448.969 (title), 448.970 (title), 450.11 (8) (bm), 457.01 (4), 457.01 (8), 457.01 (11), 460.03 (title), 460.05 (4), 460.07 (title), 460.13 (title), 470.01 (1), 470.01 (5m),
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470.01 (6m), 470.01 (8), 480.01 (5), 480.04 and 480.06; to renumber 440.032

(1) (a), 440.032 (1) (c), 440.032 (6) (c), 448.51 (title), 448.51 (1e), 448.51 (1s),

448.52 (1m), 448.522, 448.56 (1m) (title), 448.56 (1m) (a), 448.56 (3) to (5),

448.59, 448.95 (intro.), 448.95 (4), 448.95 (6), 448.95 (7), 448.959, 448.961

(title), 448.970 (1), chapter 460 (title), 460.01 (1g), 460.01 (3), 460.01 (4), 460.01

(5), 460.01 (6), 460.01 (7) and 460.02 (title); to renumber and amend 15.085

(3) (a), 15.09 (3), 146.997 (1) (d) 13., 180.1901 (1m) (bg), 252.14 (1) (ar) 4e.,

252.14 (1) (ar) 4p., 252.14 (1) (ar) 4q., 440.032 (1) (intro.), 440.032 (1) (d),

440.032 (2), 440.032 (3), 440.032 (4), 440.032 (5), 440.032 (6) (intro.), 440.032

(6) (b), 440.032 (6) (d), 440.032 (7) (a), 440.032 (7) (b), 440.032 (8), 440.032 (9),

448.20, 448.23, 448.50, 448.51 (1), 448.51 (2) (b), 448.52 (2m), 448.527, 448.53,

448.535, 448.54, 448.55, 448.56 (title), 448.56 (1), 448.56 (1m) (b), 448.56 (2),

448.56 (6), 448.565, 448.567, 448.57, 448.58, subchapter VI (title) of chapter 448

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448.954, 448.9545, 448.955, 448.956, 448.957, 448.958, subchapter VII (title)

of chapter 448 [precedes 448.96], 448.96, 448.961 (1), 448.961 (2), 448.962 (1),

448.962 (2), 448.963, 448.964, 448.965, 448.966, 448.967, 448.968, 448.969,

448.970 (2), 450.10 (3) (a) 5q., 460.01 (intro.), 460.01 (1r), 460.01 (2m), 460.02,

460.03, 460.04 (title), 460.04 (1m), 460.04 (2), 460.05 (1), 460.05 (2), 460.06,

460.07 (1), 460.07 (2), 460.08, 460.09, 460.095, 460.10, 460.11, 460.12, 460.13,

460.14, 460.15 and 460.17; to consolidate, renumber and amend 15.405 (2)

(intro.) and (a); to amend 15.07 (1) (cm), 15.07 (1) (cs), 15.07 (3) (b), 15.08 (1m)

(b), 15.08 (3) (a), 15.405 (6m) (a), 15.405 (6m) (e), 15.405 (7c) (a) 1., 15.405 (7c)

(a) 4., 15.405 (7c) (am) (intro.), 15.405 (7r) (intro.), 15.405 (7r) (a), 15.405 (7r)

(am), 15.407 (10) (b), 15.407 (13) (b), 17.16 (1), 20.165 (1) (g), 20.165 (1) (hg),
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1. 46.90 (5m) (br) 5., 48.78 (2) (g), 49.45 (8) (a) 3., 49.45 (8) (a) 5., 50.01 (2), 50.36
2. (3) (b), 50.36 (3) (c), 50.39 (3), 50.50 (7m), 55.043 (4) (b) 5., 101.64 (3), 145.02 (4)
3. (a), 146.37 (1g), 146.40 (1) (d), 146.81 (1) (dg), 146.81 (1) (eq), 146.81 (1) (es),
4. 146.81 (1) (hp), 146.89 (1) (r) 1., 146.997 (1) (d) 4., 146.997 (1) (d) 5., 154.01 (3),
5. 155.01 (7), 157.08 (2) (b), 157.11 (9g) (a) 1. c., 157.19 (2) (b), 157.19 (2) (c), 157.19
6. (2) (d), 157.19 (4), 157.19 (5) (b), 157.62 (2) (a), 157.62 (2) (c), 157.65 (2),
7. 180.1901 (1m) (b), 180.1901 (1m) (br), 231.01 (7) (d) 2., 252.14 (1) (ar) 9., 252.14
8. (1) (ar) 10., 252.14 (1) (ar) 11., 255.40 (2) (a) (intro.), 440.03 (3), 440.03 (9) (a)
9. (intro.), 440.91 (1) (a), 440.91 (1) (b) (intro.), 440.91 (1) (b) 1., 440.91 (1m) (a),
10. 440.91 (1m) (b) (intro.), 440.91 (1m) (b) 1., 440.91 (1m) (b) 2., 440.91 (2) (intro.),
11. 440.92 (1) (b) (intro.), 440.92 (1) (bm), 440.92 (2) (a) 4. a., 440.92 (6) (a), 440.92
12. (6) (d), 440.92 (6) (e), 440.92 (6) (h), 440.92 (6) (i), 440.92 (6) (j), 440.92 (6) (k),
13. 440.92 (7), 440.93 (1) (intro.), 443.01 (2), 443.015 (1), 443.015 (2), 443.03 (1)
14. (intro.), 443.03 (1) (b) 1m., 443.03 (1) (b) 2., 443.03 (2), 443.035 (intro.), 443.035
15. (1) (intro.), 443.035 (1) (a), 443.035 (1) (b), 443.04 (intro.), 443.04 (1m), 443.04
16. (2m) (a), 443.04 (2m) (b), 443.05 (1) (intro.), 443.05 (1) (a), 443.05 (1) (b), 443.05
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18. (bm), 443.06 (2) (cm), 443.06 (2) (d), 443.07 (1) (intro.), 443.07 (1) (a), 443.07 (3),
19. 443.07 (5), 443.08 (3) (a) 1., 443.08 (3) (a) 2., 443.08 (3) (a) 3., 443.09 (4m), 443.09
20. (5), 443.10 (1) (a), 443.10 (1) (b), 443.10 (1) (c), 443.10 (1) (d), 443.10 (2) (c),
21. 443.10 (2) (d), 443.10 (2) (f), 443.10 (2) (h), 443.10 (4) (a), 443.10 (4) (b), 443.10
22. (5), 443.11 (1) (intro.), 443.11 (1) (e), 443.11 (2), 443.11 (3), 443.11 (4), 443.11 (6),
23. 443.12 (1), 443.12 (2), 443.12 (3), 443.12 (4), 443.13 (1) (intro.), 443.13 (2),
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25. (2) (c), subchapter IV (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.60], 448.60 (1), 448.60
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(3), 448.60 (5), 448.63 (1) (intro.), 448.63 (1) (c), 448.63 (1) (d) (intro.), 448.63 (1) (d) 1., 448.63 (1) (d) 2., 448.63 (2) (intro.), 448.63 (3), 448.63 (4), 448.64 (1), 448.64 (3), 448.64 (4), 448.64 (5), 448.655 (1) (intro.), 448.655 (1) (b) 3. a., 448.655 (1) (b) 3. b., 448.655 (2) (intro.), 448.655 (3), 448.665, 448.675 (1) (a), 448.675 (1) (b), 448.675 (1) (c), 448.675 (1) (d) 2., 448.675 (1) (d) 3., 448.675 (1) (d) 4., 448.675 (1) (d) 5., 448.675 (1) (d) 6., 448.675 (1) (e), 448.675 (1) (f), 448.675 (1) (g), 448.675 (2), 448.675 (3), 448.675 (4), 448.68 (1), 448.68 (2), 448.68 (3), 448.685, 448.69 (2), 448.695 (1) (intro.), 448.695 (2), 448.695 (3), subchapter V (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.70], 448.72 (1) (c), 448.72 (6), 448.74 (intro.), 448.78 (intro.), 448.78 (3) (intro.), 448.78 (3) (a), 448.78 (3) (b), 448.78 (3) (c), 448.78 (4) (intro.), 448.78 (4) (c) 1., 448.78 (4) (c) 2., 448.78 (5), 448.80, 448.82, 448.84 (1), 448.87 (1), 448.87 (2) (intro.), 450.10 (3) (a) 5., 450.11 (8) (b), 451.02 (1), 457.01 (1c), 457.01 (1r), 457.01 (2g), 457.01 (3), 457.01 (7), 457.01 (10), 457.03 (1), 457.03 (2), 457.03 (3), 457.04 (8) (a) 1., 457.04 (b), 457.08 (1) (intro.), 457.08 (1) (b), 457.08 (1) (c), 457.08 (2) (intro.), 457.08 (2) (b), 457.08 (2) (c), 457.08 (3) (intro.), 457.08 (3) (a) 4., 457.08 (3) (b) 4., 457.08 (4) (intro.), 457.08 (4) (b) (intro.), 457.08 (4) (c) (intro.), 457.08 (4) (d), 457.09 (1) (intro.), 457.09 (1) (c), 457.09 (1) (d), 457.09 (4m) (a), 457.09 (4m) (b), 457.09 (5) (b), 457.09 (5) (c), 457.09 (5) (d), 457.10 (intro.), 457.10 (2) (intro.), 457.10 (2) (b), 457.10 (2) (c), 457.10 (3) (intro.), 457.10 (3) (b), 457.10 (3) (c), 457.10 (4), 457.11 (1) (intro.), 457.11 (1) (c), 457.11 (1) (d), 457.11 (2), 457.12 (intro.), 457.12 (2), 457.12 (3) (intro.), 457.12 (3) (a) 4., 457.12 (3) (b) 4., 457.12 (4), 457.13 (1) (intro.), 457.13 (1) (d), 457.13 (2), 457.14 (1) (intro.), 457.14 (2), 457.15 (1) (intro.), 457.15 (1) (a), 457.15 (1) (b), 457.15 (1) (c), 457.15 (1) (d), 457.15 (2), 457.15 (3), 457.16 (1), 457.20 (3) (c), 457.22 (1) (a), 457.22 (1) (b), 457.22 (1) (c),
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(2), 470.02 (3), 470.03 (title), 470.03 (1) (intro.), 470.03 (1) (a), 470.03 (1) (b),
470.03 (1) (c), 470.03 (2), 470.03 (3), 470.04 (1) (intro.), 470.04 (2) (intro.), 470.04
(2) (b), 470.04 (2) (c) 1. (intro.), 470.04 (2) (c) 1. c., 470.04 (2) (c) 2., 470.04 (3)
(intro.), 470.04 (3) (b), 470.04 (3) (c) 1. (intro.), 470.04 (3) (c) 1. c., 470.04 (3) (c)
2., 470.04 (4) (intro.), 470.04 (4) (b), 470.04 (4) (c) 1. (intro.), 470.04 (4) (c) 1. c.,
470.04 (4) (c) 2., 470.04 (5), 470.04 (6), 470.04 (7), 470.045 (3) (a), 470.05, 470.06
(intro.), 470.07, 470.08 (1), 470.08 (2) (intro.), 470.08 (2) (g), 470.08 (2) (i), 470.08
(3), 470.08 (4), 470.08 (5), 470.08 (6), 480.18 (3), 480.24 (1), 480.24 (2) (intro.),
480.24 (3) (intro.), 480.24 (3) (a), 632.895 (12m) (b) 7., 655.45 (1), 655.45 (1m),
895.48 (1m) (a), 905.015 (2) (intro.) and 938.78 (2) (g); to repeal and recreate
15.07 (1) (cm) and chapter 480 (title); and to create 15.07 (3) (c), 15.09 (3) (b),
15.405 (6m) (dm), 15.405 (7r) (ar), 15.405 (7r) (at), 15.405 (7r) (av), 15.407 (4),
17.07 (3e), 146.997 (1) (d), 146.997 (1) (d) 13e., 146.997 (1) (d) 13m., 448.20 (title), 448.20 (1m),
448.20 (4m), 450.10 (3) (a) 12., 450.10 (3) (a) 13., subchapter III (title) of chapter
459 [precedes 459.40], 459.40 (2), 459.45 (title), chapter 464 (title), subchapter
I (title) of chapter 464 [precedes 464.01], 464.03 (intro.), 464.10 (title), 464.27
(title), 464.40 (4), 464.41 (title), 464.49 (title) and 464.65 (title) of the statutes;
relating to: renaming, changing the membership of, and eliminating certain
professional licensure boards and transferring certain functions to the
Department of Safety and Professional Services and the Medical Therapy
Examining Board; eliminating certain councils under the Department of Safety
and Professional Services; creating the Medical Assistants Council;
authorizing removal by the governor, for excessive absenteeism and other
infractions, of certain members of boards under the Department of Safety and
Professional Services; granting rule-making authority; and making an
appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

Under current law, various professions are regulated by the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) and various examining boards and affiliated credentialing boards are created under DSPS. Affiliated credentialing boards are each attached to a specific examining board. This bill makes numerous changes to the laws governing DSPS and the examining boards and affiliated credentialing boards under DSPS, including all of the following:

1. Elimination of certain boards and transfer of their functions to DSPS.

   Under current law, in Wisconsin, the Auctioneer Board advises DSPS, including by reviewing and commenting on proposed rules, concerning the regulation of auctioneering and has the power to discipline registered auctioneers and auction companies; the Cemetery Board regulates many aspects of the management of cemeteries, including the sale of cemetery plots and other cemetery services; the Examining Board of Professional Geologists, Hydrologists, and Soil Scientists and the respective sections created under that board regulate the practice of geologists, hydrologists, and soil scientists; and the Dietitians Affiliated Credentialing Board regulates the practice of dietitians. The Dietitians Affiliated Credentialing Board is attached to the Medical Examining Board, but all of those boards are under the umbrella of DSPS. This bill eliminates all of those boards and transfers their functions to DSPS.

2. Elimination of certain boards and transfer of their functions to the Medical Examining Board.

   Under current law, the Radiography Examining Board regulates the practice of radiographers and limited X-ray machine operators in Wisconsin, and the Podiatry Affiliated Credentialing Board, which is attached to the Medical Examining Board, regulates the practice of podiatrists. This bill eliminates both of those boards and transfers their functions to the Medical Examining Board.

3. Elimination of certain boards and transfer of their functions to the Medical Therapy Examining Board.

   Under current law, occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants are regulated by the Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board, athletic trainers are regulated by the Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board, and massage therapists and bodyworkers are regulated by the Massage Therapy and Bodywork Therapy Affiliated Credentialing Board. Also
under current law, physical therapists and physical therapy assistants are regulated by the Physical Therapy Examining Board.

This bill eliminates the Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board, the Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board, and the Massage Therapy and Bodywork Therapy Affiliated Credentialing Board and transfers their functions to the Physical Therapy Examining Board, which is renamed in the bill to be the Medical Therapy Examining Board. Under the bill, the membership of the Medical Therapy Examining Board includes, in addition to the members under current law, one representative of each of the professions to be newly regulated by the board.

4. **Elimination of sign language interpreter council and transfer of functions to Hearing and Speech Examining Board.**

Under current law, a license is generally required to perform sign language interpretation services, and a license to act as a sign language interpreter is issued by DSPS. However, also under current law, there is a Sign Language Interpreter Council that is required to perform certain duties, including advising DSPS on rule making regarding sign language interpreting and promulgating certain rules for sign language interpreters.

This bill eliminates the Sign Language Interpreter Council and transfers the duties of both DSPS and the Sign Language Interpreter Council regarding sign language interpreters to the Hearing and Speech Examining Board. In addition, the bill eliminates one of the hearing instrument specialist members on the Hearing and Speech Examining Board and adds to that board two sign language interpreters and one additional public member.

5. **Elimination of Medical Examining Board councils; creation of consolidated council.**

Under current law, there are three councils created to serve the Medical Examining Board in an advisory capacity regarding certain professions for which licenses are issued by the Medical Examining Board: 1) the Perfusionists Examining Council, which advises the Medical Examining Board regarding the practice of perfusion; 2) the Council on Physician Assistants, which advises the Medical Examining Board and the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents regarding licensing, practice standards, and education and training for physician assistants; and 3) the Council on Anesthesiologist Assistants, which advises the Medical Examining Board on the practice of anesthesiologist assistants.

This bill eliminates these three councils and transfers their duties to a newly created council called the Medical Assistants Council. Under the bill, the Medical Assistants Council includes one licensed anesthesiologist assistant; one anesthesiologist; one licensed perfusionist; one physician who is a cardiothoracic surgeon or a cardiovascular anesthesiologist; one physician assistant; one person who teaches physician assistants; and one public member.

6. **Elimination of certain sections of examining boards.**

Under current law, the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors is composed of an architect section, a landscape architect section, a professional engineer section,
a designer section, and a professional land surveyor section. The membership of that examining board consists of the following:

1. Three architects.
2. Three landscape architects.
3. Three professional engineers.
4. Three designers.
5. Three professional land surveyors.
6. Ten public members.

This bill eliminates the individual sections of the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors and reduces the membership of the examining board to the following:

1. Two architects.
2. Two landscape architects.
3. Two professional engineers.
4. Two designers.
5. Two professional land surveyors.
6. One public member.

Also under current law, the Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board is composed of a marriage and family therapist section, a professional counselor section, and a social worker section. The membership of that examining board consists of the following:

1. Three marriage and family therapists.
2. Three professional counselors.
3. Four social workers.
4. Three public members who represent groups promoting the interests of consumers of services provided by marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, and social workers.

The bill eliminates the individual sections of the Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board and reduces the membership of the examining board to the following:

1. Three marriage and family therapists (no change).
2. Three professional counselors (no change).
3. Three social workers.
4. One public member.

7. Removal from office.

Under current law, members of examining boards, affiliated credentialing boards, or other boards under DSPS, like most other state officers appointed by the governor for a fixed term, may be removed from office only for cause, subject to certain complaint and other procedural requirements. This bill authorizes the governor to remove any member appointed for a fixed term to an examining board, affiliated credentialing board, or other board under DSPS for, as determined by the governor, excessive absenteeism, neglect of duties, conviction of a crime, or unprofessional conduct. If the governor determines that one of those elements is present, the removal is treated essentially as a removal from office at pleasure.
8. Meeting requirements.

Under current law, each board other than a board that serves as the head of a department and each council must meet annually, and may meet at other times on the call of the chairperson or a majority of its members. This bill deletes the annual meeting requirements that apply to boards and councils in or attached to DSPS, to examining boards, and to affiliated credentialing boards. The bill also deletes various other mandatory meeting requirements that apply to specific bodies that are in or attached to DSPS.

BUILDINGS AND SAFETY

Under current law, the Contractor Certification Council recommends rules for promulgation to DSPS concerning certain residential building contractors in Wisconsin and advises DSPS about examinations for the continuing education of such contractors. This bill eliminates the Contractor Certification Council.

The bill also eliminates the Plumbers Council, which is tasked with advising DSPS with respect to DSPS's rules concerning plumbers, utility contractors, plumbing apprentices, pipe layers, and registered learners.

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. 15.07 (1) (b) 19m. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 15.07 (1) (b) 23. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 3. 15.07 (1) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.07 (1) (cm) The term of one member of the government accountability board shall expire on each May 1. The terms of the 3 members of the land and water conservation board appointed under s. 15.135 (4) (b) 2. shall expire on January 1. The term of the member of the land and water conservation board appointed under s. 15.135 (4) (b) 2m. shall expire on May 1 of an even-numbered year. The terms of the appraiser members of the real estate appraisers board and the terms of the auctioneer and auction company representative members of the auctioneer board shall expire on May 1 in an even-numbered year. The terms of the members of the cemetery board shall expire on July 1 in an even-numbered year. The term of the
student member of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System who
is at least 24 years old shall expire on May 1 of every even-numbered year.

**SECTION 4.** 15.07 (1) (cm) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Acts
118 and .... (this act), is repealed and recreated to read:

15.07 (1) (cm) The terms of the 3 members of the land and water conservation
board appointed under s. 15.135 (4) (b) 2. shall expire on January 1. The term of the
member of the land and water conservation board appointed under s. 15.135 (4) (b)
2m. shall expire on May 1 of an even-numbered year. The terms of the appraiser
members of the real estate appraisers board shall expire on May 1 in an
even-numbered year. The term of the student member of the Board of Regents of the
University of Wisconsin System who is at least 24 years old shall expire on May 1 of
every even-numbered year.

**SECTION 5.** 15.07 (1) (cs) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.07 (1) (cs) No member of the auctioneer board, cemetery board, or real estate
appraisers board may be an officer, director, or employee of a private organization
that promotes or furthers any profession or occupation regulated by that board.

**SECTION 6.** 15.07 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.07 (3) (b) Except as provided in par. pars. (bm) and (c), each board not
covered under par. (a) shall meet annually, and may meet at other times on the call
of the chairperson or a majority of its members. The auctioneer board, the cemetery
board, and the real estate appraisers board shall also meet on the call of the secretary
of safety and professional services or his or her designee within the department.

**SECTION 7.** 15.07 (3) (bm) 3. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 8.** 15.07 (3) (bm) 6. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 9.** 15.07 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:
15.07 (3) (c) Paragraph (b) does not apply to a board in or attached to the department of safety and professional services. A board in or attached to the department of safety and professional services shall meet on the call of the chairperson or a majority of its members. The real estate appraisers board shall also meet on the call of the secretary of safety and professional services or his or her designee within the department.

SECTION 10. 15.07 (5) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 11. 15.07 (5) (z) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 12. 15.08 (1m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.08 (1m) (b) The public members of the chiropractic examining board, the dentistry examining board, the hearing and speech examining board, the medical examining board, the physical therapy examining board, the perfusionists examining council, the respiratory care practitioners examining council and council on physician assistants, the board of nursing, the nursing home administrator examining board, the veterinary examining board, the optometry examining board, the pharmacy examining board, the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board, and the psychology examining board, and the radiography examining board shall not be engaged in any profession or occupation concerned with the delivery of physical or mental health care.

SECTION 13. 15.08 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.08 (3) (a) Every examining board shall meet annually and may meet at other times on the call of the chairperson or of a majority of its members.

SECTION 14. 15.08 (3) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 15. 15.085 (1m) of the statutes is repealed.
SECTION 16. 15.085 (3) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 15.085 (3) and amended to read:

15.085 (3) FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS. Every affiliated credentialing board shall meet annually and may meet at other times on the call of the chairperson or of a majority of its members.

SECTION 17. 15.085 (3) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 18. 15.09 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 15.09 (3) (a) and amended to read:

15.09 (3) (a) Unless otherwise provided by law and except as provided in par. (b), every council shall meet at least annually and shall also meet on the call of the head of the department or independent agency in which it is created, and may meet at other times on the call of the chairperson or a majority of its members. -A

(c) Unless otherwise provided by law, a council shall meet at such locations as may be determined by it unless the constitutional officer or secretary heading the department or the chief executive officer of the independent agency in which it is created determines a specific meeting place.

SECTION 19. 15.09 (3) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

15.09 (3) (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to a council in or attached to the department of safety and professional services. Unless otherwise provided by law, a council in or attached to the department of safety and professional services shall meet on the call of the secretary of safety and professional services or on the call of the chairperson or a majority of its members.

SECTION 20. 15.405 (2) (intro.) and (a) of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered 15.405 (2) and amended to read:
15.405 (2) Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors. There is created an examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services. Any professional member appointed to the examining board shall be registered or licensed to practice architecture, landscape architecture, professional engineering, the design of engineering systems, or professional land surveying under ch. 443. The examining board shall consist of the following members appointed for 4-year terms: 3 2 architects, 3 2 landscape architects, 3 2 professional engineers, 3 2 designers, 3 2 professional land surveyors, and 10 one public members. (a) In operation, the examining board shall be divided into an architect section, a landscape architect section, a professional engineer section, a designer section, and a professional land surveyor section. Each section shall consist of the 3 members of the named profession appointed to the examining board and 2 public members appointed to the section. The examining board shall elect its own officers and shall meet at least twice annually member.

SECTION 21. 15.405 (2) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 22. 15.405 (2) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 23. 15.405 (2m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 24. 15.405 (3) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 25. 15.405 (3m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 26. 15.405 (6m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (6m) (a) Three Two hearing instrument specialists licensed under subch. I of ch. 459.

SECTION 27. 15.405 (6m) (dm) of the statutes is created to read:
15.405 (6m) (dm) Two interpreters licensed under s. 459.42, at least one of whom holds a renewable license under s. 459.42 (1).

Section 28. 15.405 (6m) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (6m) (e) Two Three public members. One Two of the public members shall be a hearing aid user deaf or hard of hearing individuals.

Section 29. 15.405 (7c) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7c) (a) 1. Four Three social worker members who are certified or licensed under ch. 457.

Section 30. 15.405 (7c) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7c) (a) 4. Three One public members who represent groups that promote the interests of consumers of services provided by persons who are certified or licensed under ch. 457 member.

Section 31. 15.405 (7c) (am) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7c) (am) (intro.) The -4- members appointed under par. (a) 1. shall consist of the following:

Section 32. 15.405 (7c) (am) 4. of the statutes is repealed.

Section 33. 15.405 (7c) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 34. 15.405 (7c) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 35. 15.405 (7c) (d) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 36. 15.405 (7c) (e) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 37. 15.405 (7c) (f) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 38. 15.405 (7e) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 39. 15.405 (7r) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7r) Physical Medical Therapy Examining Board. (intro.) There is created in the department of safety and professional services a physical medical
therapy examining board consisting of the following members appointed for staggered 4-year terms:

SECTION 40. 15.405 (7r) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7r) (a) Three physical therapists who are licensed under subch. III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 41. 15.405 (7r) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7r) (am) One physical therapist assistant licensed under subch. III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 42. 15.405 (7r) (ar) of the statutes is created to read:

15.405 (7r) (ar) One occupational therapist licensed under subch. II of ch. 464.

SECTION 43. 15.405 (7r) (at) of the statutes is created to read:

15.405 (7r) (at) One athletic trainer licensed under subch. III of ch. 464.

SECTION 44. 15.405 (7r) (av) of the statutes is created to read:

15.405 (7r) (av) One massage therapist or bodywork therapist licensed under subch. IV of ch. 464.

SECTION 45. 15.406 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 46. 15.407 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 47. 15.407 (2m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 48. 15.407 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

15.407 (4) MEDICAL ASSISTANTS COUNCIL. There is created a medical assistants council in the department of safety and professional services and serving the medical examining board in an advisory capacity. The council shall consist of the following members appointed by the medical examining board for 3-year terms:

(a) One anesthesiologist assistant licensed under s. 448.04 (1) (g).

(b) One anesthesiologist.
(c) One licensed perfusionist.

(d) One physician who is a cardiothoracic surgeon or a cardiovascular anesthesiologist.

(e) One physician assistant.

(f) One person who teaches physician assistants.

(g) One public member.

SECTION 49. 15.407 (7) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 50. 15.407 (9) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 51. 15.407 (10) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.407 (10) (b) An employee of the department designated by the secretary of safety and professional services shall serve as secretary, but shall not be a member, of the council. The council shall meet at least twice a year. Seven members of the council shall constitute a quorum. For the purpose of conducting business a majority vote of the council is required.

SECTION 52. 15.407 (11) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 53. 15.407 (13) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.407 (13) (b) The council shall meet at least twice a year. An employee of the department designated by the secretary of the department shall serve as nonvoting secretary of the council.

SECTION 54. 15.407 (16) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 55. 15.407 (18) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 56. 17.07 (3e) of the statutes is created to read:

17.07 (3e) Notwithstanding sub. (3), any state officer under sub. (3) who is a member of an examining board, affiliated credentialing board, or other board in or attached to the department of safety and professional services may be removed by
the governor for, as determined by the governor, excessive absenteeism, neglect of
duties, conviction of a crime, or unprofessional conduct.

SECTION 57. 17.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

17.16 (1) Removals from office at pleasure or under s. 17.07 (3e) shall be made
by order, a copy of which shall be filed as provided by sub. (8), except that a copy of
the order of removal of a circuit court commissioner shall be filed in the office of the
clerk of the circuit court.

SECTION 58. 20.165 (1) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.165 (1) (g) General program operations. The amounts in the schedule for
the licensing, rule making, and regulatory functions of the department, other than
the licensing, rule–making, and credentialing functions of the medical examining
board and the affiliated credentialing boards attached to the medical examining
board and except for preparing, administering, and grading examinations. Ninety
percent of all moneys received under chs. 440 to 480, except ch. 462 and subchs. II
and IV of ch. 448 and ss. 440.03 (13), 440.05 (1) (b), and, less $10 of each renewal fee
received under s. 452.12 (5); all moneys transferred from the appropriation under
par. (i); and all moneys received under s. 440.055 (2), shall be credited to this
appropriation.

SECTION 59. 20.165 (1) (hg) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.165 (1) (hg) General program operations; medical examining board;
prescription drug monitoring program. Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for
the licensing, rule–making, and regulatory functions of the medical examining board
and the affiliated credentialing boards attached to the medical examining board,
except for preparing, administering, and grading examinations; and for the
pharmacy examining board’s operation of the prescription drug monitoring program
under s. 450.19. Ninety percent of all moneys received for issuing and renewing credentials under ch. 462 and subchs. II and IV of ch. 448 shall be credited to this appropriation.

**SECTION 60.** 46.90 (5m) (br) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

46.90 (5m) (br) 5. Refer the case to the department of safety and professional services if the financial exploitation, neglect, self-neglect, or abuse involves an individual who is required to hold a credential, as defined in s. 440.01 (2) (a), under chs. 440 to 460.

**SECTION 61.** 48.78 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.78 (2) (g) Paragraph (a) does not prohibit an agency from disclosing information about an individual in its care or legal custody on the written request of the department of safety and professional services or of any interested examining board or affiliated credentialing board in that department for use in any investigation or proceeding relating to any alleged misconduct by any person who is credentialed or who is seeking credentialing under ch. 448, 455 or 457, or 464. Unless authorized by an order of the court, the department of safety and professional services and any examining board or affiliated credentialing board in that department shall keep confidential any information obtained under this paragraph and may not disclose the name of or any other identifying information about the individual who is the subject of the information disclosed, except to the extent that redisclosure of that information is necessary for the conduct of the investigation or proceeding for which that information was obtained.

**SECTION 62.** 49.45 (8) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.45 (8) (a) 3. “Occupational therapist” has the meaning given in s. 448.96 464.20 (4).
SECTION 63. 49.45 (8) (a) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.45 (8) (a) 5. “Physical therapist” has the meaning given in s. 448.50 464.01 (3).

SECTION 64. 50.01 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

50.01 (2) “Nurse aide” means a person who performs routine patient care duties delegated by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse who supervises the person, for the direct health care of a patient or resident. “Nurse aide” does not mean a feeding assistant, as defined in s. 146.40 (1) (aw); a person who is licensed, permitted, certified, or registered under ch. 441, 448, 449, 450, 451, 455, 459, or 460, or 464; or a person whose duties primarily involve skills that are different than those taught in instructional programs for nurse aides.

SECTION 65. 50.36 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

50.36 (3) (b) If, as a result of peer investigation or written notice thereof, a hospital staff member who is licensed by the medical examining board or podiatry affiliated credentialing board, for any reasons that include the quality of or ability to practice, loses his or her hospital staff privileges, has his or her hospital staff privileges reduced, or resigns from the hospital staff, the hospital shall so notify the medical examining board or podiatry affiliated credentialing board, whichever is applicable, within 30 days after the loss, reduction or resignation takes effect. Temporary suspension due to incomplete records need not be reported.

SECTION 66. 50.36 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

50.36 (3) (c) If, as a result of peer investigation or written notice thereof, a hospital staff member who is licensed by the medical examining board or podiatry affiliated credentialing board, for reasons that do not include the quality of or ability to practice, loses his or her hospital staff privileges for 30 days or more, has his or
her hospital staff privileges reduced for 30 days or more, or resigns from the hospital
staff for 30 days or more, the hospital shall so notify the medical examining board
or podiatry affiliated credentialing board, whichever is applicable, within 30 days
after the loss, reduction or resignation takes effect. Temporary suspension due to
incomplete records need not be reported.

**SECTION 67.** 50.39 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

50.39 (3) Facilities governed by ss. 45.50, 48.62, 49.70, 49.72, 50.02, 51.09, and
252.10, juvenile correctional facilities as defined in s. 938.02 (10p), correctional
institutions governed by the department of corrections under s. 301.02, and the
offices and clinics of persons licensed to treat the sick under chs. 446, 447, and
464 are exempt from ss. 50.32 to 50.39. Sections 50.32 to 50.39 do not abridge
the rights of the medical examining board, physical medical therapy examining
board, podiatry affiliated credentialing board, dentistry examining board, pharmacy
examining board, chiropractic examining board, and board of nursing in carrying out
their statutory duties and responsibilities.

**SECTION 68.** 50.50 (7m) of the statutes is amended to read:

50.50 (7m) “Occupational therapy” has the meaning given in s. 448.96 464.20
(5).

**SECTION 69.** 55.043 (4) (b) 5. of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act
55, is amended to read:

55.043 (4) (b) 5. Refer the case to the department of safety and professional
services or the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection, as
appropriate, if the financial exploitation, neglect, self-neglect, or abuse involves an
individual who is required to hold a credential, as defined in s. 440.01 (2) (a), under
ch. 440 to 460 or to hold a license, certification, or permit issued under s. 89.06 or 89.072.

**SECTION 70.** 101.625 of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 71.** 101.64 (3) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 29, is amended to read:

101.64 (3) Revise the rules under this subchapter after consultation, as appropriate, with the uniform dwelling code council or with the contractor certification council, as appropriate.

**SECTION 72.** 145.02 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

145.02 (4) (a) The department shall prescribe rules as to the qualifications, examination, and licensing of master and journeyman plumbers and restricted plumber licensees, for the licensing of utility contractors, for the registration of plumbing apprentices and pipe layers, and for the registration and training of registered learners. The plumbers council, created under s. 15.407 (16), shall advise the department in formulating the rules.

**SECTION 73.** 146.37 (1g) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.37 (1g) Except as provided in s. 153.76, no person acting in good faith who participates in the review or evaluation of the services of health care providers or facilities or the charges for such services conducted in connection with any program organized and operated to help improve the quality of health care, to avoid improper utilization of the services of health care providers or facilities, or to determine the reasonable charges for such services, or who participates in the obtaining of health care information under subch. I of ch. 153, is liable for any civil damages as a result of any act or omission by such person in the course of such review or evaluation. Acts and omissions to which this subsection applies include, but are not limited to, acts
or omissions by peer review committees or hospital governing bodies in censuring, reprimanding, limiting, or revoking hospital staff privileges or notifying the medical examining board or podiatry affiliated credentialing board under s. 50.36 or taking any other disciplinary action against a health care provider or facility and acts or omissions by a medical director in reviewing the performance of emergency medical technicians or ambulance service providers.

SECTION 74. 146.40 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.40 (1) (d) “Nurse aide” means an individual who performs routine patient care duties delegated by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse who supervises the individual, for the direct health care of a patient or resident. “Nurse aide” does not mean a feeding assistant, an individual who is licensed, permitted, certified, or registered under ch. 441, 448, 449, 450, 451, 455, 459, or 460, or 464, or an individual whose duties primarily involve skills that are different than those taught in instructional programs for nurse aides approved under sub. (3) or (3g) or evaluated by competency evaluation programs for nurse aides approved under sub. (3m).

SECTION 75. 146.81 (1) (dg) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.81 (1) (dg) A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant licensed under subch. III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 76. 146.81 (1) (eq) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.81 (1) (eq) An athletic trainer licensed under subch. VI III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 77. 146.81 (1) (es) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.81 (1) (es) An occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant licensed under subch. VII II of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 78. 146.81 (1) (hp) of the statutes is amended to read:
146.81 (1) (hp) A massage therapist or bodywork therapist licensed under subch. IV of ch. 460 464.

SECTION 79. 146.89 (1) (r) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

146.89 (1) (r) 1. Licensed as a physician under ch. 448, a dentist or dental hygienist under ch. 447, a registered nurse, practical nurse, or nurse-midwife under ch. 441, an optometrist under ch. 449, a physician assistant under ch. 448, a pharmacist under ch. 450, a chiropractor under ch. 446, a podiatrist under subch. IV of ch. 448, or a physical therapist under subch. III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 80. 146.997 (1) (d) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

146.997 (1) (d) 4. A physician, podiatrist, or perfusionist, physical therapist, or physical therapist assistant licensed under ch. 448.

SECTION 81. 146.997 (1) (d) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

146.997 (1) (d) 5. An occupational therapist, occupational therapy assistant, A physician assistant or respiratory care practitioner certified under ch. 448.

SECTION 82. 146.997 (1) (d) 13. of the statutes is renumbered 146.997 (1) (d) 13s. and amended to read:

146.997 (1) (d) 13s. A massage therapist or bodywork therapist licensed under subch. IV of ch. 460 464.

SECTION 83. 146.997 (1) (d) 13e. of the statutes is created to read:

146.997 (1) (d) 13e. A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant licensed under subch. I of ch. 464.

SECTION 84. 146.997 (1) (d) 13m. of the statutes is created to read:

146.997 (1) (d) 13m. An occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant licensed under subch. II of ch. 464.

SECTION 85. 154.01 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
154.01 (3) “Health care professional” means a person licensed, certified or
registered under ch. 441, 448 or, 455, or 464.

**SECTION 86.** 155.01 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

155.01 (7) “Health care provider” means a nurse licensed or permitted under
ch. 441, a chiropractor licensed under ch. 446, a dentist licensed under ch. 447, a
physician, physician assistant, perfusionist, or podiatrist, physical therapist,
physical therapist assistant, occupational therapist, or occupational therapy
assistant licensed under ch. 448, a person practicing Christian Science treatment,
an optometrist licensed under ch. 449, a psychologist licensed under ch. 455, a
physical therapist, physical therapist assistant, occupational therapist, or
occupational therapist assistant licensed under ch. 464, a partnership thereof, a
corporation or limited liability company thereof that provides health care services,
a cooperative health care association organized under s. 185.981 that directly
provides services through salaried employees in its own facility, or a home health
agency, as defined in s. 50.49 (1) (a).

**SECTION 87.** 157.061 (2g) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 88.** 157.08 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.08 (2) (b) Before a cemetery authority sells or encumbers any cemetery
land, except for a sale described in par. (a), the cemetery authority shall notify the
cemetery board department in writing of the proposed sale or encumbrance. If
within 60 days after the cemetery board department is notified of the proposed sale
or encumbrance the cemetery board department objects to the sale or encumbrance the
cemetery authority may not sell or encumber the cemetery land unless the cemetery
board department subsequently notifies the cemetery authority in writing that the
objection is withdrawn. The cemetery board department may object to a sale or encumbrance only if it determines that the cemetery authority will not be financially solvent or that the rights and interests of owners of cemetery lots and mausoleum spaces will not be adequately protected if the sale or encumbrance occurs. The cemetery board department may, before the expiration of the 60-day period, notify the cemetery authority in writing that the cemetery board department approves of the sale or encumbrance. Upon receipt of the cemetery board's department's written approval, the cemetery authority may sell or encumber the cemetery land and is released of any liability under this paragraph. The cemetery board department shall make every effort to make determinations under this paragraph in an expeditious manner.

**SECTION 89.** 157.11 (9g) (a) 1. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

157.11 (9g) (a) 1. c. If not invested as provided in subd. 1. a. or b., otherwise deposited by the cemetery authority in an investment approved by the cemetery board department if the care funds are segregated and invested separately from all other moneys held by the cemetery authority.

**SECTION 90.** 157.19 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.19 (2) (b) The cemetery authority may not change the trustee of a care fund under s. 157.11 (9g) that is deposited under this section or of a care fund under s. 157.12 (3), and the financial institution may not release any portion of the principal amount of the care fund, without the cemetery board’s department’s written approval.

**SECTION 91.** 157.19 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.19 (2) (c) Upon request of the financial institution, the preneed seller, as defined in s. 440.90 (8), shall furnish the financial institution with a copy of the
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A preneed sales contract. Except as provided in s. 440.92 (2) (c), (f), and (j) and (5), preneed trust funds, and any interest or dividends that have accumulated on the preneed trust funds, may not be withdrawn until all obligations under the preneed sales contract have been fulfilled. The financial institution is not responsible for the fulfillment of any part of the preneed sales contract, except that the financial institution shall release the preneed trust funds, and any interest or dividends that have accumulated on the preneed trust funds, as provided by the terms of the preneed sales contract. The trustee of a preneed trust fund may not be changed without the cemetery board’s department’s written approval. If the trustee or account number of a preneed trust fund is changed, the cemetery authority shall notify the cemetery board department in writing within 30 days after the change.

SECTION 92. 157.19 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.19 (2) (d) The cemetery board department shall promulgate rules establishing reasonable requirements and standards for the approval of changes under pars. (b) and (c). For approval of changes under par. (b), the rules shall require the cemetery authority to submit evidence that the rights and interests of the beneficiary of the care fund will be adequately protected if the change is approved. For approval of changes under par. (c), the rules shall require the trustee to submit evidence that the rights and interests of the purchaser under the preneed sales contract will be adequately protected if the change is approved.

SECTION 93. 157.19 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.19 (4) The cemetery board department may promulgate rules allowing funds invested under this section to be deposited with a financial institution located outside this state.

SECTION 94. 157.19 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
157.19 (5) (b) If the cemetery board department determines that care funds under s. 157.11 (9g) that have not been deposited with a city or county as provided in s. 157.11 (9g) (a) are not being properly segregated from other moneys held by the cemetery authority or that those care funds are not being properly invested as required in s. 157.11 (9g) (a), the cemetery board department may require the cemetery authority to deposit those care funds with a financial institution for investment under this section.

Section 95. 157.62 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.62 (2) (a) Except as provided in ss. 157.625 and 157.63 (1), every cemetery authority shall file an annual report with the cemetery board department. The report shall be made on a form prescribed and furnished by the cemetery board department. The report shall be made on a calendar-year basis unless the cemetery board department, by rule, provides for other reporting periods. The report is due on the 60th day after the last day of the reporting period.

Section 96. 157.62 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.62 (2) (c) All records relating to accountings of trust funds described under par. (b) 3. to 7. and maintained by the department and by the cemetery board are confidential and are not available for inspection or copying under s. 19.35 (1).

Section 97. 157.65 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

157.65 (2) The department of justice or any district attorney, upon informing the department of justice, may commence an action in circuit court in the name of the state to restrain by temporary or permanent injunction any violation of this subchapter. The court may, prior to entry of final judgment, make such orders or judgments as may be necessary to restore to any person any pecuniary loss suffered because of the acts or practices involved in the action, if proof of such loss is submitted
to the satisfaction of the court. The department of justice may subpoena persons and require the production of books and other documents, and may request the board described in s. 15.405 (3m) or the department of safety and professional services to exercise its authority under sub. (1) to aid in the investigation of alleged violations of this subchapter.

**SECTION 98.** 180.1901 (1m) (ag) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 99.** 180.1901 (1m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

180.1901 (1m) (b) Medical examining board under subch. II or IV of ch. 448.

**SECTION 100.** 180.1901 (1m) (bg) of the statutes is renumbered 180.1901 (1m) (h) and amended to read:

180.1901 (1m) (h) Physical Medical therapy examining board under subch. III of ch. 448 464.

**SECTION 101.** 180.1901 (1m) (bk) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 102.** 180.1901 (1m) (br) of the statutes is amended to read:

180.1901 (1m) (br) Dietitians affiliated credentialing board Department of safety and professional services under subch. V of ch. 448.

**SECTION 103.** 180.1901 (1m) (bs) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 104.** 180.1901 (1m) (bu) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 105.** 231.01 (7) (d) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (7) (d) 2. Any office or clinic of a person licensed under ch. 446, 447, 448, 449, or 455, or the substantially equivalent laws or rules of another state.

**SECTION 106.** 252.14 (1) (ar) 4e. of the statutes is renumbered 252.14 (1) (ar) 8e. and amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 8e. A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant licensed under subch. III 1 of ch. 448 464.
SECTION 107. 252.14 (1) (ar) 4p. of the statutes is renumbered 252.14 (1) (ar) 8m. and amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 8m. An occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant licensed under subch. VII II of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 108. 252.14 (1) (ar) 4q. of the statutes is renumbered 252.14 (1) (ar) 8s. and amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 8s. An athletic trainer licensed under subch. VI III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 109. 252.14 (1) (ar) 9. of the statutes is amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 9. An employee or agent of any provider specified under subds. 1. to 8. 8s.

SECTION 110. 252.14 (1) (ar) 10. of the statutes is amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 10. A partnership of any provider specified under subds. 1. to 8. 8s.

SECTION 111. 252.14 (1) (ar) 11. of the statutes is amended to read:

252.14 (1) (ar) 11. A corporation of any provider specified under subds. 1. to 8. 8s. that provides health care services.

SECTION 112. 255.40 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

255.40 (2) (a) (intro.) Any person licensed, certified or registered by the state under ch. 441, 448 or 455, or 464 who treats a patient suffering from any of the following shall report in accordance with par. (b):

SECTION 113. 440.03 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.03 (3) If the secretary reorganizes the department, no modification may be made in the powers and responsibilities of the examining boards or affiliated credentialing boards attached to the department or an examining board under s. 15.405 or 15.406.
**SECTION 114.** 440.03 (9) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.03 (9) (a) (intro.) Subject to pars. (b) and (c), the department shall, biennially, determine each fee for an initial credential for which no examination is required, for a reciprocal credential, and for a credential renewal by doing all of the following:

**SECTION 115.** 440.03 (9) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 116.** 440.032 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 117.** 440.032 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 459.40 (intro.) and amended to read:

459.40 Definitions. (intro.) In this section subchapter:

**SECTION 118.** 440.032 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 459.40 (1).

**SECTION 119.** 440.032 (1) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 120.** 440.032 (1) (c) of the statutes is renumbered 459.40 (3).

**SECTION 121.** 440.032 (1) (d) of the statutes is renumbered 459.40 (4) and amended to read:

459.40 (4) “Wisconsin interpreting and transliterating assessment” means a program administered by the department of health services to determine and verify the level of competence of communication access services providers who are not certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., or its successor, the National Association of the Deaf or its successor, or other similar nationally recognized certification organization, or a successor program administered by the department of health services.

**SECTION 122.** 440.032 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 459.41, and 459.41 (1), (2) (intro.) and (c) and (3), as renumbered, are amended to read:
459.41 (1) Except as provided in pars. (b) and (c) subs. (2) and (3), no person may, for compensation, provide sign language interpretation services for a client unless the person is licensed by the department examining board under sub. (3) s. 459.42.

(2) (intro.) No license is required under this subsection sub. (1) for any of the following:

(c) A person interpreting at a religious service or at a religious function, including educational or social events sponsored by a religious organization. This subdivision paragraph does not apply to a person interpreting for a religious organization at a professional service provided or sponsored by the religious organization.

(3) (a) The council examining board may grant a temporary exemption from the requirement under sub. (1) to an individual who is not a resident of this state that authorizes the individual to provide interpretation services for a period not to exceed 20 days, if the individual is certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., or its successor, or the National Association of the Deaf or its successor. The council examining board may not grant an individual more than 2 temporary exemptions under this subdivision paragraph per year.

(b) The council examining board may grant a temporary or permanent exemption from the requirement under sub. (1) to an individual who is a resident of this state that authorizes the individual to provide interpretation services for a period specified by the council examining board or for persons specified by the council examining board.
SECTION 123. 440.032 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 459.42, and 459.42 (1)
(a) (intro.) and 3., (b) and (c) and (2) (a) (intro.), (b) (intro.) and (c), as renumbered,
are amended to read:

459.42 (1) (a) (intro.) The department examining board shall grant a license
as a sign language interpreter to an applicant who submits an application on a form
provided by the department, pays the fee determined by the department under s.
440.03 (9) (a), and submits evidence satisfactory to the department examining board
that the applicant has received an associate degree in sign language interpretation
or has received a certificate of completion of an education and training program
regarding such interpretation, and the applicant has one of the following:

3. Any valid certification granted by any other organization that the
department examining board determines is substantially equivalent to a
certification specified in subd. 1. a. or b. or 2.

(b) The department examining board shall grant a license as a sign language
interpreter to an applicant who submits an application on a form provided by the
department and pays the fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a),
if the applicant has a certification specified in subd. 1. a. par. (a) 1. and if the
applicant provides to the department examining board satisfactory evidence of a
diagnosis by a physician that the applicant is deaf or hard of hearing.

(c) The department examining board shall grant a license as a sign language
interpreter to an applicant who has not received an associate degree in sign language
interpretation or a certificate of completion of an education and training program
regarding such interpretation, but who otherwise satisfies the requirements in subd.
1. par. (a) (intro.), if, within 24 months after establishing residency in the state, the
applicant provides evidence satisfactory to the department examining board that the
applicant holds one of the certifications specified in subd. 1. a., b., or c. par. (a) 1., 2.,
or 3., that the applicant obtained the certification prior to establishing residency in
the state, and that the applicant held the certification at the time the applicant
established residency in the state.

(2) (a) (intro.) The department examining board shall grant a license as a sign
language interpreter to an applicant who submits an application on a form provided
by the department, pays the fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9)
(a), and submits evidence satisfactory to the department examining board of all of
the following:

(b) (intro.) The department examining board shall grant a restricted license as
a sign language interpreter, authorizing the holder to provide interpretation services
only under the supervision of an interpreter licensed under par. (a) sub. (1), to an
applicant who submits an application on a form provided by the department, pays
the fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a), and submits evidence
satisfactory to the department examining board of all of the following:

(c) A license granted under subd. 1. or 2. par. (a) or (b) may be renewed twice
and is not valid upon the expiration of the 2nd renewal period.

SECTION 124. 440.032 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 459.44 and amended
to read:

459.44 Notification required. A person who is licensed under sub. (3) s.
459.42 shall notify the department examining board in writing within 30 days if the
person's certification or membership specified in sub. (3) s. 459.42 that is required
for the license is revoked or invalidated. The department examining board shall
revoke a license granted under sub. (3) s. 459.42 if such a certification or membership
is revoked or invalidated.
SECTION 125. 440.032 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 459.43 and amended to read:

459.43 License renewal. The renewal dates date for licenses granted under sub. (3) (a) are s. 459.42 (1) is specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a) 68e. Renewal applications shall be submitted to the department examining board on a form provided by the department and shall include the renewal fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) and evidence satisfactory to the department examining board that the person’s certification or membership specified in sub. (3) s. 459.42 that is required for the license has not been revoked or invalidated.

SECTION 126. 440.032 (6) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (1) (intro.) and amended to read:

459.45 (1) Council. (intro.) The council Subject to sub. (2), the examining board shall do all of the following:

SECTION 127. 440.032 (6) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 128. 440.032 (6) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (1) (a) and amended to read:

459.45 (1) (a) Advise the department regarding the promulgation and implementation of rules regarding the practice of sign language interpreters.

SECTION 129. 440.032 (6) (c) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (1) (d).

SECTION 130. 440.032 (6) (d) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (1) (c) and amended to read:

459.45 (1) (c) Promulgate rules establishing a process and criteria for granting exemptions under sub. (2) (e) 2. s. 459.41 (3) (b).

SECTION 131. 440.032 (6) (e) of the statutes is repealed.
SECTION 132. 440.032 (7) (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 133. 440.032 (7) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (2) and amended to read:

459.45 (2) The department examining board may not promulgate rules that impose requirements for granting a license under s. 459.42 that are in addition to the requirements specified in sub. (3) s. 459.42.

SECTION 134. 440.032 (7) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 459.45 (1) (b) and amended to read:

459.45 (1) (b) After considering the recommendations of the council, the department shall promulgate rules that establish a code of ethics that governs the professional conduct of persons licensed under sub. (3) s. 459.42. In promulgating rules under this paragraph, the department examining board shall consider including as part or all of the rules part or all of the code of ethics established by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., or its successor. The department examining board shall periodically review the code of ethics established by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., or its successor, and, if appropriate, revise the rules promulgated under this paragraph to reflect revisions to that code of ethics.

SECTION 135. 440.032 (8) of the statutes is renumbered 459.46 and amended to read:

459.46 Disciplinary proceedings and actions. Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the department examining board may make investigations and conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this section or any rule promulgated under this section has occurred and may reprimand a person who is licensed under sub. (3) s. 459.42 or may deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a license granted under sub. (3) s. 459.42 if it finds that the
applicant or licensee has violated this section subchapter or any rule promulgated under this section subchapter.

**SECTION 136.** 440.032 (9) of the statutes is renumbered 459.47 and amended to read:

459.47 **Penalty.** A person who violates this section subchapter or any rule promulgated under this section subchapter may be fined not more than $200 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months or both.

**SECTION 137.** 440.317 of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 138.** 440.90 (1b) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 139.** 440.905 of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 140.** 440.91 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1) (a) Any cemetery authority that operates a cemetery that is 5 acres or more in size, that sells 20 or more cemetery lots or mausoleum spaces at a cemetery during a calendar year, or that has $100,000 or more in trust fund accounts for a cemetery shall apply to the board department for a license for that cemetery. A cemetery authority that operates more than one cemetery shall apply for a separate license for each cemetery that is 5 acres or more in size and for each cemetery at which it sells 20 or more burial spaces or at which it has $100,000 or more in trust fund accounts.

**SECTION 141.** 440.91 (1) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1) (b) (intro.) The board department shall grant a license to a cemetery authority if all of the following are satisfied:

**SECTION 142.** 440.91 (1) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1) (b) 1. The cemetery authority submits an application for the license to the board department on a form provided by the board department. The
application shall require the cemetery authority to provide the names of the officers
of the cemetery authority and to identify a business representative who is primarily
responsible for the cemetery authority’s compliance with subch. II of ch. 157 and this
subchapter.

SECTION 143. 440.91 (1m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1m) (a) Except as provided in sub. (6m), any cemetery authority that
operates a cemetery that is less than 5 acres in size, that sells fewer than 20 cemetery
lots or mausoleum spaces at a cemetery during a calendar year, or that has less than
$100,000 in trust fund accounts for a cemetery shall register with the board
department. A cemetery authority that operates more than one cemetery shall
submit a separate registration to the board department for each cemetery that is less
than 5 acres in size, that sells fewer than 20 cemetery lots or mausoleum spaces at
a cemetery during a calendar year, or that has less than $100,000 in trust fund
accounts.

SECTION 144. 440.91 (1m) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1m) (b) (intro.) The board department shall register a cemetery
authority if all of the following are satisfied:

SECTION 145. 440.91 (1m) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (1m) (b) 1. The cemetery authority submits an application for
registration to the board department on a form provided by the board department.
The application shall require the cemetery authority to provide the names and
addresses of the officers of the cemetery authority and to identify a business
representative who is primarily responsible for the cemetery authority’s compliance
with subch. II of ch. 157 and this subchapter.

SECTION 146. 440.91 (1m) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:
440.91 (1m) (b) 2. The cemetery authority pays a $10 fee to the board department.

SECTION 147. 440.91 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.91 (2) (intro.) Except as provided in sub. (10), every individual who sells or solicits the sale of, or that expects to sell or solicit the sale of, 20 or more cemetery lots or mausoleum spaces per year during 2 consecutive calendar years shall be licensed by the board under this subchapter. An individual may not be licensed as a cemetery salesperson except upon the written request of a cemetery authority and the payment of the initial credential fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a). The cemetery authority shall certify in writing to the board department that the individual is competent to act as a cemetery salesperson. An applicant for licensure as a cemetery salesperson shall furnish to the board department, in such form as the board department prescribes, all of the following information:

SECTION 148. 440.92 (1) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (1) (b) (intro.) The board department shall issue a certificate of licensure as a cemetery preneed seller to any person who does all of the following:

SECTION 149. 440.92 (1) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (1) (bm) If a cemetery authority that is licensed under this subsection notifies the board department that it proposes to take an action specified in s. 157.08 (2) (b) and the board department does not object to the action under s. 157.08 (2) (b), the board department shall revoke the license and require the cemetery authority to reapply for a license under this subsection.

SECTION 150. 440.92 (2) (a) 4. a. of the statutes is amended to read:
440.92 (2) (a) 4. a. At the time that the preneed sales contract is entered into, the preneed seller shall provide the purchaser with the name, address and telephone number of the warehouse and inform the purchaser that the warehouse is approved by the board department.

**SECTION 151.** 440.92 (6) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (a) Every preneed seller licensed under sub. (1) shall file an annual report with the board department. The report shall be made on a form prescribed and furnished by the board department. The report shall be made on a calendar-year basis unless the board department, by rule, provides for other reporting periods. The report is due on or before the 60th day after the last day of the reporting period.

**SECTION 152.** 440.92 (6) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (d) All records described under pars. (b) 2. and (c) and maintained by the board department are confidential and are not available for inspection or copying under s. 19.35 (1). This paragraph does not apply to any information regarding the name, address or employer of or financial information related to an individual that is requested under s. 49.22 (2m) by the department of children and families or a county child support agency under s. 59.53 (5).

**SECTION 153.** 440.92 (6) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (e) The board department shall review each report filed under par. (a) to determine whether the preneed seller is complying with this section.

**SECTION 154.** 440.92 (6) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (h) The records under par. (b) 1. shall be permanently maintained by the preneed seller. The records under par. (b) 2. shall be maintained for not less than 3 years after all of the obligations of the preneed sales contract have been
fulfilled. The **board department** may promulgate rules to establish longer time periods for maintaining records under this paragraph.

**SECTION 155.** 440.92 (6) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (i) The **board department** may promulgate rules requiring preneed sellers licensed under sub. (1) to maintain other records and establishing minimum time periods for the maintenance of those records.

**SECTION 156.** 440.92 (6) (j) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (j) The **board department** may audit, at reasonable times and frequency, the records, trust funds and accounts of any preneed seller licensed under sub. (1), including records, trust funds and accounts pertaining to services provided by a preneed seller **which** are not otherwise subject to the requirements under this section. The department may conduct audits under this paragraph on a random basis, and shall conduct all audits under this paragraph without providing prior notice to the preneed seller.

**SECTION 157.** 440.92 (6) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (6) (k) The **board department** may promulgate rules establishing a filing fee to accompany the report required under par. (a). The filing fee shall be based on the approximate cost of regulating preneed sellers.

**SECTION 158.** 440.92 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.92 (7) **APPROVAL OF WAREHOUSES.** No person may own or operate a warehouse unless the warehouse is approved by the **board department**. Upon application, the **board department** shall approve a warehouse that is located in this state if the person who operates the warehouse is licensed as a public warehouse keeper by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under ch. 99, but may not approve a warehouse that is located in this state unless the person
is so licensed. The board department shall promulgate rules establishing the requirements for approval of warehouses that are located outside this state. The rules shall require warehouses that are located outside this state to file with the board department a bond furnished by a surety company authorized to do business in this state in an amount that is sufficient to guarantee the delivery of cemetery merchandise to purchasers under preneed sales contracts. The board department shall compile and keep a current list of the names and addresses of all warehouses approved under this subsection and shall make the list available for public inspection during the times specified in s. 230.35 (4) (f).

SECTION 159. 440.93 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.93 (1) (intro.) The board department may reprimand a licensee or deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a certificate of licensure of a cemetery authority, cemetery salesperson, or preneed seller if it finds that the applicant or licensee, or, if the applicant or licensee is an association, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation, any officer, director, trustee, member, or shareholder who beneficially owns, holds, or has the power to vote 5% or more of any class of security issued by the applicant or licensee, has done any of the following:

SECTION 160. 440.987 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 161. 443.01 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.01 (2) “Engineer-in-training” means a person who is a graduate in an engineering curriculum of 4 years or more from a school or college approved by the professional engineer section of the examining board as of satisfactory standing, or a person who has had 4 years or more of experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board; and who, in addition, has successfully passed the examination in the fundamental engineering
subjects prior to the completion of the requisite years in engineering work, as
provided in s. 443.05, and who has been granted a certificate of record by the
professional engineer section examining board stating that the person has
successfully passed this portion of the professional examinations.

**SECTION 162.** 443.015 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.015 (1) Each section of the The examining board may establish continuing
education requirements for renewal of a credential issued by that section under this
chapter.

**SECTION 163.** 443.015 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.015 (2) Each section of the The examining board may promulgate rules
governing the professional conduct of individuals, firms, partnerships, and
corporations registered, permitted, certified, or granted a certificate of authorization
by that section under this chapter.

**SECTION 164.** 443.03 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.03 (1) (intro.) An applicant for registration as an architect shall submit as
satisfactory evidence to the architect section of the examining board all of the
following:

**SECTION 165.** 443.03 (1) (b) 1m. of the statutes is amended to read:

443.03 (1) (b) 1m. A diploma of graduation, or a certificate, from an
architectural school or college approved by the architect section examining board as
of satisfactory standing, together with at least 2 years’ practical experience of a
character satisfactory to the architect section examining board in the design and
construction of buildings.

**SECTION 166.** 443.03 (1) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:
443.03 (1) (b) 2. A specific record of 7 or more years of experience in architectural work of a character satisfactory to the architect section examining board in the design and construction of buildings.

SECTION 167. 443.03 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.03 (2) Graduation in architecture from a school or college approved by the architect section examining board as of satisfactory standing shall be considered as equivalent to 5 years of experience, and the completion satisfactory to the architect section examining board of each year of work in architecture in such school or college without graduation shall be considered equivalent to one year of experience. Graduation in a course other than architecture from a school or college approved by the architect section examining board as of satisfactory standing shall be considered as equivalent to not more than 4 years of experience.

SECTION 168. 443.035 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.035 Registration requirements for landscape architects. (intro.) The landscape architect section of the examining board shall register as a landscape architect an individual who does all of the following:

SECTION 169. 443.035 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.035 (1) (intro.) Submits to the department evidence satisfactory to the landscape architect section examining board of any of the following:

SECTION 170. 443.035 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.035 (1) (a) That he or she has a bachelor’s degree in landscape architecture, or a master’s degree in landscape architecture, from a curriculum approved by the landscape architect section examining board and has at least 2 years of practical experience in landscape architecture of a character satisfactory to the landscape architect section examining board.
SECTION 171. 443.035 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.035 (1) (b) That he or she has a specific record of at least 7 years of training and experience in the practice of landscape architecture including at least 2 years of courses in landscape architecture approved by the landscape architect section examining board, and 4 years of practical experience in landscape architecture of a character satisfactory to the landscape architect section examining board.

SECTION 172. 443.04 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.04 Registration requirements for professional engineers. (intro.)

An applicant for registration as a professional engineer shall submit satisfactory evidence to the professional engineer section of the examining board of all of the following:

SECTION 173. 443.04 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.04 (1m) A diploma of graduation, or a certificate, from an engineering school or college approved by the professional engineer section examining board as of satisfactory standing in an engineering course of not less than 4 years or a diploma of graduation or degree from a technical college approved by the professional engineer section examining board as of satisfactory standing in an engineering-related course of study of not less than 2 years.

SECTION 174. 443.04 (2m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.04 (2m) (a) For an applicant possessing a diploma or certificate from a course of study of not less than 4 years as specified in sub. (1m), a specific record of 4 or more years of experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board and indicating that the applicant is competent to be placed in responsible charge of engineering work.

SECTION 175. 443.04 (2m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.04 (2m) (b) For an applicant possessing a diploma or degree from a course of study of not less than 2 years as specified in sub. (1m), a specific record of 6 or more years of experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board and indicating that the applicant is competent to be placed in responsible charge of engineering work.

**SECTION 176.** 443.05 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.05 (1) (intro.) An applicant for certification as an engineer-in-training shall submit as satisfactory evidence to the professional engineer section of the examining board one of the following:

**SECTION 177.** 443.05 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.05 (1) (a) A diploma of graduation in engineering or a certificate in engineering from a school or college approved by the professional engineer section examining board as of satisfactory standing.

**SECTION 178.** 443.05 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.05 (1) (b) A specific record of 4 years or more of experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board.

**SECTION 179.** 443.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.05 (2) Graduation in engineering from a school or college approved by the professional engineer section examining board as of satisfactory standing shall be considered as equivalent to 4 years of experience and the completion satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board of each year of work in engineering in such school or college without graduation shall be considered as equivalent to one year of experience. Graduation in a course other than engineering from a school or college approved by the professional engineer section examining board
board as of satisfactory standing shall be considered as equivalent to 2 years of experience. No applicant may receive credit for more than 4 years of experience under this subsection.

SECTION 180. 443.06 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (1) (a) Application for a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying shall be made to the professional land surveyor section of the examining board under oath, on forms provided by the department, which shall require the applicant to submit such information as the professional land surveyor section examining board deems necessary. The professional land surveyor section examining board may require applicants to pass written or oral examinations or both. Applicants who do not have an arrest or conviction record, subject to ss. 111.321, 111.322, and 111.335, shall be entitled to be granted a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying when satisfactory evidence is submitted that the applicant has met one or more of the requirements of sub. (2).

SECTION 181. 443.06 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (1) (b) Each year, but not more than 4 years, of work or training completed in a curriculum in the practice of professional land surveying approved by the professional land surveyor section examining board, or of responsible charge of teaching the practice of professional land surveying may be considered as equivalent to one year of qualifying experience in the practice of professional land surveying, and each year, but not more than 4 years, completed in a curriculum other than the practice of professional land surveying approved by the professional land surveyor section examining board, may be considered as equivalent to one-half year of qualifying experience.

SECTION 182. 443.06 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
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443.06 (2) Requirements; License. (intro.) The professional land surveyor section examining board may grant a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying to any person who has submitted to it an application, the required fees, and one or more of the following:

Section 183. 443.06 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (2) (am) Evidence satisfactory to the professional land surveyor section examining board that he or she has received a bachelor’s degree in a course in the practice of professional land surveying or a related field that has a duration of not less than 4 years and is approved by the professional land surveyor section examining board, and that he or she has engaged in the practice of professional land surveying for at least 2 years and has demonstrated practice of satisfactory character that indicates that the applicant is competent to engage in the practice of professional land surveying, if the applicant has passed an oral and written or written examination administered by the professional land surveyor section examining board.

Section 184. 443.06 (2) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (2) (bm) Evidence satisfactory to the professional land surveyor section examining board that he or she has received an associate degree in a course in the practice of professional land surveying or a related field that has a duration of not less than 2 years and is approved by the professional land surveyor section examining board, and that he or she has engaged in the practice of professional land surveying for at least 4 years and has demonstrated practice of satisfactory character that indicates that the applicant is competent to engage in the practice of professional land surveying, if the applicant has passed an oral and written or
written examination administered by the professional land surveyor section examining board.

**SECTION 185.** 443.06 (2) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (2) (cm) Evidence satisfactory to the professional land surveyor section examining board that he or she has engaged in the practice of professional land surveying for at least 10 years and has demonstrated practice of satisfactory character that indicates that the applicant is competent to engage in the practice of professional land surveying, if the applicant has passed an oral and written or written examination administered by the professional land surveyor section examining board. This paragraph applies to applications for licenses to engage in the practice of professional land surveying that are submitted to the professional land surveyor section examining board after June 30, 2000 and before July 1, 2019.

**SECTION 186.** 443.06 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.06 (2) (d) An unexpired certificate of registration, certificate of certification, or license as a land surveyor or to engage in the practice of professional land surveying issued to the applicant by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any other country whose requirements meet or exceed the requirement for licensure in this subsection, if the applicant has passed an oral and written or written examination administered by the professional land surveyor section examining board.

**SECTION 187.** 443.07 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.07 (1) (intro.) An applicant for a permit as a designer shall submit as evidence satisfactory to the designer section of the examining board one of the following to indicate that he or she is competent to be in charge of such work:

**SECTION 188.** 443.07 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.07 (1) (a) A specific record of 8 years or more of experience in specialized engineering design work and the satisfactory completion of a written examination in the field or branch, as determined by the designer section examining board, in which certification is sought.

**SECTION 189.** 443.07 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.07 (3) Permits shall be granted, designated, and limited to the fields and subfields of technology as are determined by the designer section examining board and recognized in engineering design practice. Any person holding a permit may prepare plans and specifications and perform consultation, investigation, and evaluation in connection with the making of plans and specifications, within the scope of the permit, notwithstanding that such activity constitutes the practice of architecture or professional engineering under this chapter.

**SECTION 190.** 443.07 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.07 (5) The permit shall, on its face, restrict the holder thereof to the specific field and subfields of designing in which the permittee acquired his or her experience in designing. If qualified in more than one type of designing, persons may receive permits for more than one field or subfield of designing as may be determined by the designer section examining board.

**SECTION 191.** 443.08 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

443.08 (3) (a) 1. A firm, partnership, or corporation desiring a certificate of authorization shall submit an application to the department on forms provided by the department, listing the names and addresses of all officers and directors, and all individuals in its employment registered to practice architecture in this state who will be in responsible charge of architecture being practiced in this state through the firm, partnership, or corporation and other relevant information required by the
architect section of the examining board. A similar type of form shall also accompany the renewal fee. If there is a change in any of these persons, the change shall be reported on the same type of form, and filed with the department within 30 days after the effective date of the change. The architect section examining board shall grant a certificate of authorization to a firm, partnership, or corporation complying with this subsection upon payment of the initial credential fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a). This subsection does not apply to firms, partnerships, or corporations exempt under s. 443.14 (3) or (5).

SECTION 192. 443.08 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

443.08 (3) (a) 2. A firm, partnership, or corporation desiring a certificate of authorization shall submit an application to the department on forms provided by the department, listing the names and addresses of all officers and directors, and all individuals in its employment registered to practice professional engineering in this state who will be in responsible charge of professional engineering being practiced in this state through the firm, partnership, or corporation and other relevant information required by the professional engineer section of the examining board. A similar type of form shall also accompany the renewal fee. If there is a change in any of these persons, the change shall be reported on the same type of form, and filed with the department within 30 days after the effective date of the change. The professional engineer section examining board shall grant a certificate of authorization to a firm, partnership, or corporation complying with this subsection upon payment of the initial credential fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a). This subsection does not apply to firms, partnerships, or corporations exempt under s. 443.14 (3) or (5).

SECTION 193. 443.08 (3) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:
443.08 (3) (a) 3. A firm, partnership, or corporation desiring a certificate of authorization shall submit an application to the department on forms provided by the department, listing the names and addresses of all officers and directors, and all individuals in its employment granted a permit to practice designing in this state who will be in responsible charge of designing being practiced in this state through the firm, partnership, or corporation and other relevant information required by the designer section of the examining board. A similar type of form shall also accompany the renewal fee. If there is a change in any of these persons, the change shall be reported on the same type of form, and filed with the department within 30 days after the effective date of the change. The designer section examining board shall grant a certificate of authorization to a firm, partnership, or corporation complying with this subsection upon payment of the initial credential fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a). This subsection does not apply to firms, partnerships, or corporations exempt under s. 443.14 (3) or (5).

SECTION 194. 443.09 (4m) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.09 (4m) No person may be registered as a landscape architect under this chapter unless he or she passes a written examination or written and oral examinations conducted or approved by the landscape architect section of the examining board under sub. (5).

SECTION 195. 443.09 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.09 (5) Written or written and oral examinations shall be held at such time and place as the landscape architect section of the examining board determines. The scope of the examinations and the methods of procedure shall be prescribed by the landscape architect section examining board with special reference to the applicant's ability to design and supervise architectural, landscape architectural, or
engineering work, which shall promote the public welfare and ensure the safety of life, health, and property. A candidate failing an examination may, upon application and payment of the required reexamination fee, be examined again by the landscape architect section examining board. No restrictions may be placed on the number of times an unsuccessful candidate may be reexamined, except that after failure of 3 reexaminations, the landscape architect section examining board may require a one-year waiting period before further reexamination.

SECTION 196. 443.10 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (1) (a) The appropriate section of the examining board may, upon application and the payment of the required fee, grant a certificate of registration as an architect, as a landscape architect, or as a professional engineer to any person who holds an unexpired certificate of similar registration issued to the person by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any country in which the requirements for the registration of architects, landscape architects, or professional engineers are of a standard not lower than specified in this chapter.

SECTION 197. 443.10 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (1) (b) The appropriate section of the examining board may, upon application and payment of the required fee, grant a certificate of registration as an architect, as a landscape architect, or as a professional engineer to any person who holds an unrevoked card or certificate of national reciprocal registration, issued by any state, territory, or possession of the United States or by any country, which is in conformity with the regulations of the national council of state board of architectural, or engineering examiners, or council of landscape architectural registration boards,
and who complies with the regulations of the appropriate section examining board, except as to qualifications and registration fee.

**SECTION 198.** 443.10 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (1) (c) The professional engineer section of the examining board may, upon application therefor, and the payment of the required fee, grant a certificate-of-record as engineer-in-training to any person who holds an unexpired certificate of similar certification issued to the person by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any country in which the requirements for the certification of engineers-in-training are of a standard not lower than specified in this chapter.

**SECTION 199.** 443.10 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (1) (d) The appropriate section of the examining board may, upon application and payment of the required fee, grant a permit to practice or to offer to practice architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering to a person who is not a resident of and has no established place of business in this state, or who has recently become a resident of this state, if the person holds an unexpired certificate of similar registration issued to the person by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any country in which the requirements for the registration of architects, landscape architects, or professional engineers are of a standard not lower than specified in this chapter.

**SECTION 200.** 443.10 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (2) (c) The appropriate section of the examining board shall grant a certificate of registration upon payment of the registration fee to any applicant who, in the opinion of the appropriate section examining board, has satisfactorily met all the applicable requirements of this chapter. The certificate shall authorize the
practice of architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering, as appropriate.

SECTION 201. 443.10 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (2) (d) The granting of a certificate of registration by the appropriate section of the examining board under this chapter shall be evidence that the person named in the certificate is entitled to all the rights and privileges of a registered architect, a registered landscape architect, or a registered professional engineer under the classification stated on the certificate, while the certificate remains unrevoked or unexpired.

SECTION 202. 443.10 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (2) (f) The professional engineer section of the examining board shall grant a certificate of record as engineer-in-training to any applicant who, in the opinion of the professional engineer section examining board, has satisfactorily met all the requirements of this section pertaining to engineers-in-training.

SECTION 203. 443.10 (2) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (2) (h) Certificates of record as engineers-in-training shall expire on July 31st of the 10th year after their issuance unless extended by the professional engineer section of the examining board. An application for extension shall contain evidence satisfactory to the professional engineer section examining board that the applicant’s professional experience has been delayed.

SECTION 204. 443.10 (3) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 205. 443.10 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (4) (a) A list, showing the names and addresses of all engineers-in-training certified by the professional engineer section of the examining board during the period from July 1 to June 30, shall be prepared each
year by the professional engineer section examining board. The list shall be obtainable by purchase at cost.

**SECTION 206.** 443.10 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (4) (b) Each section of the examining board shall keep a record of its proceedings together with a record of all other information pertaining to its proceedings as may be deemed necessary by that section of the examining board. The records of each section of the examining board shall be prima facie evidence of the proceedings of that section of the examining board set forth in the records, and a transcript thereof, duly certified by the secretary chairperson of that section of the examining board, or his or her designee, under seal, shall be admissible in evidence with the same effect as if the original were produced.

**SECTION 207.** 443.10 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.10 (5) Fees; renewals. The professional land surveyor section examining board shall grant a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying to any applicant who has met the applicable requirements of this chapter. The renewal date for the license is specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a), and the renewal fee for the license is determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a).

**SECTION 208.** 443.11 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.11 (1) (intro.) The appropriate section of the examining board may reprimand an architect, landscape architect, or professional engineer or limit, suspend, or revoke the certificate of registration of any registrant, and the certificate of record of any engineer-in-training, who is found guilty of:

**SECTION 209.** 443.11 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.11 (1) (e) Any violation of the rules of professional conduct adopted and promulgated by that section of the examining board.
SECTION 210. 443.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.11 (2) The appropriate section of the examining board may reprimand a firm, partnership, or corporation holding a certificate of authorization issued under this chapter or may limit, suspend, or revoke such a certificate if any of the agents, employees, or officers of the firm, partnership, or corporation has committed any act or has been guilty of any conduct which would authorize a reprimand or a limitation, suspension, or revocation of the certificate of registration of a registrant or the certificate of record of an engineer-in-training under this chapter, unless the firm, partnership, or corporation submits evidence satisfactory to the appropriate section of the examining board that the agent, employee, or officer is not now practicing or offering to practice architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering in its behalf.

SECTION 211. 443.11 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.11 (3) Any person may make charges that any registrant, holder of a certificate of record as engineer-in-training or corporate holder of a certificate of authorization has committed an act for which a reprimand or limitation, suspension, or revocation of registration is authorized under sub. (1). Such charges shall be in writing, shall be sworn to by the person making them and shall be submitted to the appropriate section of the examining board. The appropriate section of the examining board may, on its own motion, make such charges. All charges, unless dismissed by the appropriate section of the examining board as unfounded or trivial, shall be heard by the appropriate section of the examining board, subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1).

SECTION 212. 443.11 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.11 (4) If after a hearing under sub. (3), 3 members of a section of the examining board vote in favor of sustaining the charges specified in sub. (3), the appropriate section of the examining board shall reprimand or limit, suspend, or revoke the certificate of registration of the registered architect, registered landscape architect, or registered professional engineer, the certificate of record of the holder of a certificate as engineer-in-training, or the certificate of authorization of a firm, partnership, or corporation.

SECTION 213. 443.11 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 214. 443.11 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.11 (6) The appropriate section of the examining board, for reasons it considers sufficient, may reissue a certificate of registration or a certificate of record to any person, or a certificate of authorization to any firm, partnership, or corporation, whose certificate has been revoked under this section if 3 members of the section of the examining board vote in favor of such reissuance. Subject to the rules of the examining board, the appropriate section of the examining board may, upon payment of the required fee, issue a new certificate of registration, certificate of record or certificate of authorization, to replace any certificate that is revoked, lost, destroyed, or mutilated.

SECTION 215. 443.12 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.12 (1) The professional land surveyor section examining board may reprimand a professional land surveyor, or limit, suspend, or revoke the license of any professional land surveyor, for the practice of any fraud or deceit in obtaining the license, or any gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of professional land surveying.

SECTION 216. 443.12 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.12 (2) Charges of fraud, deceit, gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct may be made against any professional land surveyor by the professional land surveyor section examining board or any person. Such charges may be made on information and belief, but shall be in writing, stating the specific acts, be signed by the complainant and be submitted to the examining board. All charges shall be heard according to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1).

**SECTION 217.** 443.12 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.12 (3) If after a hearing 3 members vote the examining board finds in favor of reprimand or limiting, suspending, or revoking the license of a professional land surveyor, the professional land surveyor section examining board shall notify the surveyor to that effect. The surveyor shall return the license to the examining board immediately on receipt of notice of a revocation. The action of the professional land surveyor section may be reviewed under ch. 227.

**SECTION 218.** 443.12 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.12 (4) The professional land surveyor section examining board, for reasons it deems sufficient, may reinstate a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying that has been revoked, if 3 members vote in favor of such reinstatement. This subsection does not apply to a license that is revoked under s. 440.12.

**SECTION 219.** 443.13 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.13 (1) (intro.) The designers’ section of the examining board may limit, suspend, or revoke a permit or reprimand the permittee if the permittee is guilty of any of the following:

**SECTION 220.** 443.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.13 (2) If, after a hearing conducted under the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1) before the designers’ section of the examining board, two-thirds of the members of the section vote in favor of sustaining the examining board sustains the charges, the designers’ section of the examining board shall reprimand the permittee or limit, suspend, or revoke the permit. The action of the designers’ section of the examining board under this section is subject to review under ch. 227.

SECTION 221. 443.18 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.18 (1) (a) Any person who practices or offers to practice architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering in this state, or who uses the term “architect,” “landscape architect,” or “professional engineer” as part of the person’s business name or title, except as provided in s. 443.08 (6), or in any way represents himself or herself as an architect, landscape architect, or a professional engineer unless the person is registered or exempted in accordance with this chapter, or unless the person is the holder of an unexpired permit issued under s. 443.10 (1) (d), or any person presenting or attempting to use as his or her own the certificate of registration of another, or any person who gives any false or forged evidence of any kind to the examining board or to any section of the examining board or to any member of the examining board or to any member of any section of the examining board in obtaining a certificate of registration, or any person who falsely impersonates any other registrant of like or different name, or any person who attempts to use an expired or revoked certificate of registration, or violates any of the provisions of this section, may be fined not less than $100 nor more than $500 or imprisoned for not more than 3 months or both.

SECTION 222. 443.18 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
443.18 (2) (a) If it appears upon complaint to the examining board or to any section of the examining board by any person, or is known to the examining board or to any section of the examining board that any person who is neither registered nor exempt under this chapter nor the holder of an unexpired permit under s. 443.10 (1) (d) is practicing or offering to practice, architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering in this state, the appropriate section of the examining board or the attorney general or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring action in the name and on behalf of this state against any such person to enjoin the person from practicing or offering to practice architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering.

SECTION 223. 443.18 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

443.18 (2) (b) If it appears upon complaint to the examining board by any person, or is known to the examining board that any person who does not have a license to engage in the practice of professional land surveying in this state, or who is not exempt or excepted from the licensure requirements under this chapter, is engaging in or offering to engage in the practice of professional land surveying in this state, the professional land surveyor section, the examining board, the department, the department of justice, or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring action in the name and on behalf of the state to enjoin the person from engaging in or offering to engage in the practice of professional land surveying.

SECTION 224. 448.05 (5) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.05 (5) (c) In promulgating rules under par. (a), the board shall recognize the objective under s. 448.20 (4) (2m) (d).
SECTION 225. 448.20 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

448.20 (title) Medical assistants council.

SECTION 226. 448.20 of the statutes is renumbered 448.20 (2m), and 448.20 (2m) (title), (a), (c) (intro.) and (d), as renumbered, are amended to read:

448.20 (2m) (title) Council on Duties; Physician assistants; Duties. (a) Recommend licensing and practice standards. The council on physician assistants shall develop and recommend to the examining board licensing and practice standards for physician assistants. In developing the standards, the council shall consider the following factors: an individual’s training, wherever given; experience, however acquired, including experience obtained in a hospital, a physician’s office, the armed services or the federal health service of the United States, or their equivalent as found by the examining board; and education, including that offered by a medical school and the technical college system board.

(c) Advise board. (intro.) The council shall advise the board on all of the following:

(d) Adhere to program objectives. In formulating standards under this section subsection, the council shall recognize that an objective of this program is to increase the existing pool of health personnel.

SECTION 227. 448.20 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

448.20 (1m) Definition. In this section, “council” means the medical assistants council.

SECTION 228. 448.20 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

448.20 (4m) Duties; Perfusionists. The council shall consult with the board as provided in s. 448.40 (2) (b) and (c).
SECTION 229. 448.23 of the statutes is renumbered 448.20 (3m) and amended to read:

448.20 (3m) COUNCIL ON DUTIES; ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS. The council on anesthesiologist assistants shall guide, advise, and make recommendations to the board regarding the scope of anesthesiologist assistant practice and promote the safe and competent practice of anesthesiologist assistants in the delivery of health care services.

SECTION 230. 448.40 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.40 (2) (b) Establishing the scope of the practice of perfusion. In promulgating rules under this paragraph, the board shall consult with the perfusionists examining medical assistants council.

SECTION 231. 448.40 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.40 (2) (c) Establishing continuing education requirements for renewal of a license to practice perfusion under s. 448.13 (2). In promulgating rules under this paragraph, the board shall consult with the perfusionists examining medical assistants council.

SECTION 232. Subchapter III (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.50] of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 233. 448.50 of the statutes is renumbered 464.01, and 464.01 (1v), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.01 (1v) “Examining board” means the physical medical therapy examining board.

SECTION 234. 448.51 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (title).

SECTION 235. 448.51 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (1) (a) and amended to read:
464.02 (1) (a) Except as provided in s. 448.52 sub. (2), no person may practice physical therapy unless the person is licensed as a physical therapist under this subchapter.

**SECTION 236.** 448.51 (1e) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (1) (b).

**SECTION 237.** 448.51 (1s) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (1) (c).

**SECTION 238.** 448.51 (2) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 239.** 448.51 (2) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (1) (d) and amended to read:

464.02 (1) (d) Except as provided in s. 448.52 (2m) sub. (2) (b), no person may claim to render physical therapy or physiotherapy services unless the person is licensed as a physical therapist under this subchapter.

**SECTION 240.** 448.52 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 241.** 448.52 (1m) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (2) (a).

**SECTION 242.** 448.52 (2m) of the statutes is renumbered 464.02 (2) (b), and 464.02 (2) (b) 1., as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.02 (2) (b) 1. Except as provided in par. (b) subd. 2., a chiropractor licensed under ch. 446 claiming to render physical therapy, if the physical therapy is provided by a physical therapist employed by the chiropractor.

**SECTION 243.** 448.522 of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (7).

**SECTION 244.** 448.527 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 245.** 448.527 of the statutes is renumbered 464.03 (1) and amended to read:

464.03 (1) The examining board shall promulgate rules establishing a code of ethics governing the professional conduct of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.
SECTION 246. 448.53 of the statutes is renumbered 464.04, and 464.04 (1) (e), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.04 (1) (e) Passes an examination under s. 448.54 464.06.

SECTION 247. 448.535 of the statutes is renumbered 464.05, and 464.05 (1) (e), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.05 (1) (e) Passes an examination under s. 448.54 464.06.

SECTION 248. 448.54 of the statutes is renumbered 464.06, and 464.06 (3), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.06 (3) Notwithstanding s. 448.53 464.04 (1) (f), the examining board may not require an applicant for physical therapist licensure to take an oral examination or an examination to test proficiency in the English language for the sole reason that the applicant was educated at a physical therapy school that is not in the United States if the applicant establishes, to the satisfaction of the examining board, that he or she satisfies the requirements under s. 448.53 464.04 (3).

SECTION 249. 448.55 of the statutes is renumbered 464.07, and 464.07 (2), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.07 (2) The renewal dates for licenses granted under this subchapter, other than temporary licenses granted under rules promulgated under s. 448.53 464.04 (2), are specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a). Renewal applications shall be submitted to the department on a form provided by the department and shall include the renewal fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) and proof of compliance with the requirements established in any rules promulgated under sub. (3).

SECTION 250. 448.56 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (title) and amended to read:

464.08 (title) Practice requirements and restrictions.
SECTION 251. 448.56 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (1) (a) and amended to read:

464.08 (1) (a) Except as provided in this subsection paragraph and s. 448.52 464.02 (2), a person may practice physical therapy only upon the written referral of a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or advanced practice nurse prescriber certified under s. 441.16 (2). Written referral is not required if a physical therapist provides services in schools to children with disabilities, as defined in s. 115.76 (5), pursuant to rules promulgated by the department of public instruction; provides services as part of a home health care agency; provides services to a patient in a nursing home pursuant to the patient’s plan of care; provides services related to athletic activities, conditioning, or injury prevention; or provides services to an individual for a previously diagnosed medical condition after informing the individual’s physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or advanced practice nurse prescriber certified under s. 441.16 (2) who made the diagnosis. The examining board may promulgate rules establishing additional services that are excepted from the written referral requirements of this subsection paragraph.

SECTION 252. 448.56 (1m) (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (2) (title).

SECTION 253. 448.56 (1m) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (2).

SECTION 254. 448.56 (1m) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (1) (b) and amended to read:

464.08 (1) (b) The examining board shall promulgate rules establishing the requirements that a physical therapist must satisfy if a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or advanced practice nurse prescriber makes a written referral under sub. (1) par. (a). The purpose of the rules shall be to
ensure continuity of care between the physical therapist and the health care
practitioner.

SECTION 255. 448.56 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (3) and amended
to read:

464.08 (3) FEE SPLITTING. No licensee may give or receive, directly or indirectly, to or from any other person any fee, commission, rebate, or other form of compensation or anything of value for sending, referring, or otherwise inducing a person to communicate with a licensee in a professional capacity, or for any professional services not actually rendered personally by the licensee or at the licensee’s direction.

SECTION 256. 448.56 (3) to (5) of the statutes are renumbered 464.08 (4) to (6).

SECTION 257. 448.56 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 464.08 (8) and amended to read:

464.08 (8) PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS. A physical therapist assistant may assist a physical therapist in the practice of physical therapy if the physical therapist provides direct or general supervision of the physical therapist assistant. The examining board shall promulgate rules defining “direct or general supervision” for purposes of this subsection. Nothing in this subsection interferes with delegation authority under any other provision of this chapter or ch. 448.

SECTION 258. 448.565 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 259. 448.565 of the statutes is renumbered 464.03 (2) and amended to read:

464.03 (2) The examining board shall promulgate rules establishing procedures and requirements for filing complaints against licensees and shall publicize the procedures and requirements.
Section 260. 448.567 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 261. 448.567 of the statutes is renumbered 464.03 (3) and amended to read:

464.03 (3) The examining board shall promulgate rules that require the examining board on a periodic basis to conduct performance self-audits of its activities under this subchapter.

Section 262. 448.57 of the statutes is renumbered 464.09, and 464.09 (2) (intro.), (c), (d) and (f), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.09 (2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the examining board may reprimand a licensee or may deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a license granted under this subchapter if it finds that the applicant or licensee has done any of the following:

(c) Advertised in a manner that is false, deceptive, or misleading.

(d) Advertised, practiced, or attempted to practice under another’s name.

(f) Engaged in unprofessional or unethical conduct in violation of the code of ethics established in the rules promulgated under s. 448.527 464.03 (1).

Section 263. 448.58 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 264. 448.58 of the statutes is renumbered 464.10 (2) and amended to read:

464.10 (2) If the examining board has reason to believe that any person is violating this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter, the examining board, the department, the attorney general, or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring an action in the name and on behalf of this state to enjoin the person from the violation.
SECTION 265. 448.59 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 266. 448.59 of the statutes is renumbered 464.10 (1).

SECTION 267. Subchapter IV (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.60] of the statutes is amended to read:

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SUBCHAPTER IV

PODIATRY AFFILIATED

CREDENTIALING BOARD

SECTION 268. 448.60 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.60 (1) “Affiliated credentialing board” “Board” means the podiatry affiliated credentialing medical examining board.

SECTION 269. 448.60 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.60 (3) “Podiatrist” means an individual possessing the degree of doctor of podiatric medicine or doctor of surgical chiropody or equivalent degree as determined by the affiliated credentialing board, and holding a license to practice podiatry or podiatric medicine and surgery granted by the affiliated credentialing board under this subchapter.

SECTION 270. 448.60 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.60 (5) “Unprofessional conduct” means an act or attempted act of commission or omission, as defined by the affiliated credentialing board by rule under s. 448.695 (1), or an act by a podiatrist in violation of ch. 450 or 961.

SECTION 271. 448.63 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (1) (intro.) Subject to sub. (4), the affiliated credentialing board shall grant a license as a podiatrist to a person who does all of the following:

SECTION 272. 448.63 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.63 (1) (c) Subject to ss. 111.321, 111.322, and 111.335, submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing board that the applicant does not have an arrest or conviction record.

**SECTION 273.** 448.63 (1) (d) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (1) (d) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing board of all of the following:

**SECTION 274.** 448.63 (1) (d) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (1) (d) 1. That the applicant is a graduate of a school of podiatric medicine and surgery approved by the affiliated credentialing board and possesses a diploma from such school conferring the degree of doctor of podiatric medicine, or equivalent degree as determined by the affiliated credentialing board, unless the affiliated credentialing board waives these requirements under sub. (2).

**SECTION 275.** 448.63 (1) (d) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (1) (d) 2. That the applicant has completed 2 years of postgraduate training in a program approved by the affiliated credentialing board or one year of postgraduate training in a program approved by the affiliated credentialing board if the one-year postgraduate training was completed by June 1, 2010.

**SECTION 276.** 448.63 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (2) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing board may waive the requirement under sub. (1) (d) 1. for an applicant who establishes, to the satisfaction of the affiliated credentialing board, all of the following:

**SECTION 277.** 448.63 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.63 (3) The affiliated credentialing board may promulgate rules providing for various classes of temporary licenses to practice podiatry.

**SECTION 278.** 448.63 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.63 (4) The affiliated credentialing board may grant a limited license to an applicant for a license under sub. (1) if the affiliated credentialing board finds that the applicant has not demonstrated adequate education, training or performance on any past examination or in any past practice, and that, based upon considerations of public health and safety, the applicant does not qualify for full licensure under sub. (1).

**SECTION 279.** 448.64 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.64 (1) The affiliated credentialing board shall conduct or arrange for examinations for podiatrist licensure at least semiannually and at times and places determined by the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 280.** 448.64 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.64 (3) The affiliated credentialing board may not require an applicant to take an oral examination or an examination to test proficiency in the English language for the sole reason that the applicant was educated at a podiatry school that is not in the United States if the applicant establishes, to the satisfaction of the affiliated credentialing board, that he or she satisfies the requirements under s. 448.63 (2).

**SECTION 281.** 448.64 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.64 (4) The affiliated credentialing board may require an applicant who fails to appear for or to complete an examination under this section to reapply for licensure before being admitted to a subsequent examination.

**SECTION 282.** 448.64 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.64 (5) An applicant who fails to pass an examination under this section may request reexamination, and may be reexamined not more than twice at not less than 4-month intervals, and shall pay a reexamination fee for each reexamination.
An applicant who fails to pass an examination on the 2nd such reexamination may not be admitted to further examination until the applicant re applies for licensure and submits evidence that shows, to the satisfaction of the affiliated credentialing board, that he or she has completed additional education or received additional professional training.

**SECTION 283.** 448.655 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.655 (1) (intro.) A licensed podiatrist shall annually submit to the affiliated credentialing board evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing board that the podiatrist satisfies one of the following:

**SECTION 284.** 448.655 (1) (b) 3. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.655 (1) (b) 3. a. At least the minimum amount of malpractice liability insurance coverage that is required under the laws of the state in which the affiliated credentialing board determines that his or her principal place of practice is located.

**SECTION 285.** 448.655 (1) (b) 3. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.655 (1) (b) 3. b. If the podiatrist is not required under the laws of the state in which the affiliated credentialing board determines that his or her principal place of practice is located to have in effect a minimum amount of malpractice liability insurance coverage, at least the minimum amount of malpractice liability insurance coverage that the affiliated credentialing board determines is necessary to protect the public.

**SECTION 286.** 448.655 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.655 (2) (intro.) For purposes of sub. (1), a podiatrist’s principal place of practice is not in this state if the affiliated credentialing board determines that, during the following 12 months, any of the following applies:

**SECTION 287.** 448.655 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.655 (3) The affiliated credentialing board may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew the license of a podiatrist who fails to procure or to submit proof of the malpractice liability insurance coverage required under sub. (1).

**SECTION 288.** 448.665 of the statutes is amended to read:

**448.665 Continuing education.** The affiliated credentialing board shall promulgate rules establishing requirements and procedures for licensees to complete continuing education programs or courses of study in order to qualify for renewal of a license granted under this subchapter. The rules shall require a licensee to complete at least 30 hours of continuing education programs or courses of study within each 2-year period immediately preceding the renewal date specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a). The affiliated credentialing board may waive all or part of these requirements for the completion of continuing education programs or courses of study if the affiliated credentialing board determines that prolonged illness, disability or other exceptional circumstances have prevented a licensee from completing the requirements.

**SECTION 289.** 448.675 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (a) The affiliated credentialing board shall investigate allegations of unprofessional conduct and negligence in treatment by a licensee. Information contained in reports filed with the affiliated credentialing board under s. 49.45 (2) (a) 12r., 50.36 (3) (b), 609.17, or 632.715, or under 42 CFR 1001.2005, shall be investigated by the affiliated credentialing board. Information contained in a report filed with the affiliated credentialing board under s. 50.36 (3) (c) may, within the discretion of the affiliated credentialing board, be used as the basis of an investigation of a person named in the report. The affiliated credentialing board may require a licensee to undergo and may consider the results of a physical, mental, or
professional competency examination if the affiliated credentialing board believes that the results of the examination may be useful to the affiliated credentialing board in conducting its investigation.

**SECTION 290.** 448.675 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (b) After an investigation, if the affiliated credentialing board finds that there is probable cause to believe that the person is guilty of unprofessional conduct or negligence in treatment, the affiliated credentialing board shall hold a hearing on such conduct. The affiliated credentialing board may require a licensee to undergo and may consider the results of a physical, mental, or professional competency examination if the affiliated credentialing board believes that the results of the examination may be useful to the affiliated credentialing board in conducting its hearing. A finding by a court that a podiatrist has acted negligently in treating a patient is conclusive evidence that the podiatrist is guilty of negligence in treatment. A certified copy of the order of a court is presumptive evidence that the finding of negligence in treatment was made. The affiliated credentialing board shall render a decision within 90 days after the date on which the hearing is held or, if subsequent proceedings are conducted under s. 227.46 (2), within 90 days after the date on which those proceedings are completed.

**SECTION 291.** 448.675 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (c) After a disciplinary hearing, the affiliated credentialing board may, when it determines that a court has found that a person has been negligent in treating a patient or when it finds a person guilty of unprofessional conduct or negligence in treatment, do one or more of the following: warn or reprimand that person, or limit, suspend, or revoke a license granted by the affiliated credentialing board under this subchapter to that person. The affiliated credentialing board may
condition the removal of limitations on a license, or the restoration of a suspended
or revoked license, upon obtaining minimum results specified by the affiliated
credentialing board on a physical, mental, or professional competency examination
if the affiliated credentialing board believes that obtaining the minimum results is
related to correcting one or more of the bases upon which the limitation, suspension,
or revocation was imposed.

**SECTION 292.** 448.675 (1) (d) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (d) 2. Appear before the affiliated credentialing board or its officers
or agents at such times and places designated by the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 293.** 448.675 (1) (d) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (d) 3. Fully disclose to the affiliated credentialing board or its
officers or agents the nature of the person’s practice and conduct.

**SECTION 294.** 448.675 (1) (d) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (d) 4. Fully comply with the limits placed on his or her practice and
conduct by the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 295.** 448.675 (1) (d) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (d) 5. Obtain additional training, education, or supervision
required by the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 296.** 448.675 (1) (d) 6. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (d) 6. Cooperate with the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 297.** 448.675 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (e) Unless a suspended license is revoked during the period of
suspension, upon expiration of the period of suspension the affiliated credentialing
board shall reinstate the person’s license, except that the affiliated credentialing
board may, as a condition precedent to the reinstatement of the license, require the
person to pass the examinations required for the original grant of the license.

**SECTION 298.** 448.675 (1) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (f) The affiliated credentialing board shall comply with rules of
procedure for the investigation, hearing, and action promulgated by the department
under s. 440.03 (1).

**SECTION 299.** 448.675 (1) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (1) (g) Nothing in this subsection prohibits the affiliated credentialing
board, in its discretion, from investigating and conducting disciplinary proceedings
on allegations of unprofessional conduct by a licensee when the allegations of
unprofessional conduct may also constitute allegations of negligence in treatment.

**SECTION 300.** 448.675 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (2) Suspension pending hearing. The affiliated credentialing board
may summarily suspend a license granted by the affiliated credentialing board
under this subchapter for a period not to exceed 30 days pending hearing if the
affiliated credentialing board has in its possession evidence establishing probable
cause to believe that the licensee has violated the provisions of this subchapter and
that it is necessary to suspend the license immediately to protect the public health,
safety, or welfare. The licensee shall be granted an opportunity to be heard during
the determination of whether or not probable cause exists. The affiliated
credentialing board may designate any of its officers to exercise the authority
granted by this subsection to suspend summarily a license, for a period not exceeding
72 hours. If a license has been summarily suspended by the affiliated credentialing
board or any of its officers, the affiliated credentialing board may, while the hearing
is in progress, extend the initial period of suspension for not more than an additional
30 days. If the licensee has caused a delay in the hearing process, the affiliated credentialing board may subsequently suspend the license from the time the hearing is commenced until a final decision is issued or may delegate such authority to the hearing examiner.

SECTION 301. 448.675 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (3) VOLUNTARY SURRENDER. A licensee may voluntarily surrender his or her license to the secretary of the affiliated credentialing board, but the secretary board may refuse to accept the surrender if the affiliated credentialing board has received an allegation of unprofessional conduct against the licensee. The affiliated credentialing board may negotiate stipulations in consideration for accepting the surrender of a license.

SECTION 302. 448.675 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.675 (4) RESTORATION OF LICENSE, CERTIFICATE OR LIMITED PERMIT. The affiliated credentialing board may restore a license which has been voluntarily surrendered or revoked under this subchapter on such terms and conditions as it considers appropriate.

SECTION 303. 448.68 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.68 (1) Within 30 days after receipt of a report under s. 50.36 (3) (c), the affiliated credentialing board shall notify the licensee, in writing, of the substance of the report. The licensee and the licensee’s authorized representative may examine the report and may place into the record a statement, of reasonable length, of the licensee’s view of the correctness or relevance of any information in the report. The licensee may institute an action in circuit court to amend or expunge any part of the licensee’s record related to the report.

SECTION 304. 448.68 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.68 (2) If the affiliated credentialing board determines that a report submitted under s. 50.36 (3) (c) is without merit or that the licensee has sufficiently improved his or her conduct, the affiliated credentialing board shall remove the report from the licensee's record. If no report about a licensee is filed under s. 50.36 (3) (c) for 2 consecutive years, the licensee may petition the affiliated credentialing board to remove any prior reports, which did not result in disciplinary action, from his or her record.

SECTION 305. 448.68 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.68 (3) Upon the request of a hospital, the affiliated credentialing board shall provide the hospital with all information relating to a licensee's loss, reduction or suspension of staff privileges from other hospitals and all information relating to the licensee's being found guilty of unprofessional conduct. In this subsection, “hospital” has the meaning specified under s. 50.33 (2).

SECTION 306. 448.685 of the statutes is amended to read:

448.685 Injunctive relief. If the affiliated credentialing board has reason to believe that a person is violating this subchapter or a rule promulgated under this subchapter, the affiliated credentialing board, the department, the attorney general, or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring an action in the name and on behalf of this state to enjoin the person from the violation.

SECTION 307. 448.69 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.69 (2) Appeal. A person aggrieved by an action taken under this subchapter by the affiliated credentialing board, or its officers or its agents may apply for judicial review as provided in ch. 227, and shall file notice of such appeal with the secretary of the affiliated credentialing board within 30 days. No court of
this state may enter an ex parte stay of an action taken by the affiliated credentialing board under this subchapter.

**SECTION 308.** 448.695 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.695 (1) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing board shall promulgate all of the following rules:

**SECTION 309.** 448.695 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.695 (2) The affiliated credentialing board may promulgate rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter.

**SECTION 310.** 448.695 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.695 (3) The affiliated credentialing board shall promulgate rules specifying the requirements for a course of instruction related to X-ray examinations by persons under the direct supervision of a podiatrist under s. 462.02 (2) (f). In promulgating the rules, the affiliated credentialing board shall consult with the radiography examining board and shall examine laws and rules in other states. The affiliated credentialing board shall approve courses that meet the requirements set forth in the rules.

**SECTION 311.** Subchapter V (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.70] of the statutes is amended to read:

**CHAPTER 448**

**SUBCHAPTER V**

**DIETITIANS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD**

**SECTION 312.** 448.70 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 313.** 448.72 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.72 (1) (c) A person pursuing a supervised course of study, including
internships, leading to a degree or certificate in dietetics from an accredited
educational program or an educational program approved by the affiliated
credentialing board department.

Section 314. 448.72 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.72 (6) Prohibit an individual from using the title “dietitian,” “dietitian,”
“licensed dietitian” dietitian,” or “certified dietitian” if the person is licensed or
certified as a dietitian under the laws of another state which has licensure or
certification requirements that the affiliated credentialing board department
determines to be substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 448.78.

Section 315. 448.74 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.74 Duties of affiliated credentialing board the department. (intro.)
The affiliated credentialing board department shall promulgate rules that do all of
the following:

Section 316. 448.78 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 Certification of dietitians. (intro.) The affiliated credentialing
board department shall grant a certificate as a dietitian to an individual who does
all of the following:

Section 317. 448.78 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (3) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing
board department that he or she has done any of the following:

Section 318. 448.78 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (3) (a) Received a bachelor’s, master’s, or doctoral degree in human
nutrition, nutrition education, food and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems
management from a program at a college or university that is regionally accredited,
as determined by the affiliated credentialing board department, and that is located in a state or territory of the United States.

**SECTION 319.** 448.78 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (3) (b) Received a bachelor’s, master’s, or doctoral degree in human nutrition, nutrition education, food and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management from a program at a college or university that is not located in a state or territory of the United States if the affiliated credentialing board department determines that the program is substantially equivalent to a program under par. (a).

**SECTION 320.** 448.78 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (3) (c) Received a degree from or otherwise successfully completed a program in human nutrition, nutrition education, food and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management that is approved by the affiliated credentialing board department.

**SECTION 321.** 448.78 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (4) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing board department that he or she has completed at least 900 hours of dietetics practice in any state or territory of the United States under the supervision of any of the following:

**SECTION 322.** 448.78 (4) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (4) (c) 1. A program at a college or university that is regionally accredited, as determined by the affiliated credentialing board department, and that is located in a state or territory of the United States.

**SECTION 323.** 448.78 (4) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (4) (c) 2. A program at a college or university that is not located in a state or territory of the United States if the affiliated credentialing board department
determines that the program is substantially equivalent to a program under subd. 1.

SECTION 324. 448.78 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.78 (5) Passes the registration examination for dietitians established by the commission on dietetic registration of the American dietetic association, or passes an equivalent examination approved by the affiliated credentialing board department, and held under s. 448.84, to determine fitness to practice dietetics.

SECTION 325. 448.80 of the statutes is amended to read:

448.80 Temporary certificate. Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (6), the affiliated credentialing board department may grant a temporary dietitian certificate to an individual who satisfies the requirements under s. 448.78 (1) to (4) and has submitted an application to take the next available examination under s. 448.84. A temporary certificate granted under this section is valid for a period designated by the affiliated credentialing board department, not to exceed 9 months, and may be renewed once by the affiliated credentialing board.

SECTION 326. 448.82 of the statutes is amended to read:

448.82 Reciprocal certificate. Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the affiliated credentialing board department shall grant a dietitian certificate to an individual who holds a similar certificate or license in another state or territory of the United States if the affiliated credentialing board department determines that the requirements for receiving the certificate in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 448.78.

SECTION 327. 448.84 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
448.84 (1) The affiliated credentialing board department shall conduct or arrange for examinations for dietitian certification at least semiannually and at times and places determined by the affiliated credentialing board department, and shall provide public notice of each examination at least 90 days before the date of the examination.

**Section 328.** 448.87 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.87 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing board department may make investigations and conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter has occurred.

**Section 329.** 448.87 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

448.87 (2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing board department may reprimand a certified dietitian or deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a certificate granted under this subchapter if it finds that the applicant or certified dietitian has done any of the following:

**Section 330.** Subchapter VI (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.95] of the statutes is renumbered subchapter III (title) of chapter 464 [precedes 464.40] and amended to read:

**Chapter 464**

**Subchapter III**

**Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialed Board**

**Section 331.** 448.95 (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (intro.).

**Section 332.** 448.95 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

**Section 333.** 448.95 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (1).
SECTION 334. 448.95 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (2), and 464.40 (2) (a), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.40 (2) (a) Preventing, recognizing, and evaluating injuries or illnesses sustained while participating in physical activity.

SECTION 335. 448.95 (5m) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (3) and amended to read:

464.40 (3) “Consulting physician” means a person licensed as a physician under subch. II of ch. 448 who consults with an athletic trainer while the athletic trainer is engaging in athletic training.

SECTION 336. 448.95 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (5).

SECTION 337. 448.95 (7) of the statutes is renumbered 464.40 (6).

SECTION 338. 448.951 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 339. 448.951 of the statutes is renumbered 464.41 (1) and amended to read:

464.41 (1) Except as provided in s. 448.952 sub. (2), no person may designate himself or herself as an athletic trainer or use or assume the title “athletic trainer”, “licensed athletic trainer”, “certified athletic trainer,” or “registered athletic trainer” or append to the person’s name any other title, letters, or designation that represents or may tend to represent the person as an athletic trainer unless the person is licensed under this subchapter.

SECTION 340. 448.952 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 341. 448.952 of the statutes is renumbered 464.41 (2), and 464.41 (2) (a), as renumbered, is amended to read:
464.41 (2) (a) Any person lawfully practicing within the scope of a license, permit, registration, or certification granted by this state or the federal government, if the person does not represent himself or herself as an athletic trainer.

SECTION 342. 448.9525 of the statutes is renumbered 464.42, and 464.42 (title), (1) (intro.), (c) and (e) and (2), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.42 (title) Duties of affiliated credentialing examining board. (1) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall do all of the following:

(c) Prescribe a form for the recording of a protocol required under s. 448.956 464.47 (1).

(e) Promulgate rules requiring each applicant for a license under this subchapter to submit evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that the applicant has current proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator achieved through instruction provided by an individual, organization, or institution of higher education approved under s. 46.03 (38) to provide such instruction.

(2) Subject to s. 448.956 464.47 (1), (4) and (5), the affiliated credentialing examining board and the medical examining board shall jointly promulgate rules relating to the minimum requirements of a protocol required under s. 448.956 464.47 (1).

SECTION 343. 448.953 of the statutes is renumbered 464.43, and 464.43 (1) (intro.), (c), (d), (e), (f), (h) and (i), (2) (intro.) and (5) (b) (intro.), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.43 (1) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant an athletic trainer license to a person who does all of the following:
(c) Subject to ss. 111.321, 111.322 and 111.335, submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she does not have an arrest or conviction record.

(d) Subject to ss. 111.321, 111.322 and 111.335, submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she does not have a history of alcohol or other drug abuse.

(e) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has received at least a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university.

(f) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has met the requirements for certification established by the National Athletic Trainers’ Association Board of Certification, Inc., or its successor agency, and has passed the certification examination administered by the National Athletic Trainers’ Association Board of Certification, Inc., or its successor agency.

(h) Passes an examination under s. 448.954 464.44.

(i) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has current proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator achieved through instruction provided by an individual, organization, or institution of higher education approved under s. 46.03 (38) to provide such instruction.

(2) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board may waive the requirements under sub. (1) (c) to (i) for an applicant for a license under sub. (1) who establishes to the satisfaction of the affiliated credentialing examining board all of the following:
(5) (b) (intro.) A statement that the applicant authorizes the affiliated credentialing examining board to have access to any of the following:

SECTION 343. 448.954 of the statutes is renumbered 464.44 and amended to read:

464.44 Examination. (1) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall conduct or arrange for examinations for athletic trainer licensure at least semiannually and at times and places determined by the affiliated credentialing examining board. Examinations shall consist of written or oral tests, or both, requiring applicants to demonstrate minimum competency in subjects substantially related to athletic training.

(2) In lieu of an examination under sub. (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board may accept the results of an examination administered by the National Athletic Trainers’ Association Board of Certification, Inc., or its successor agency.

SECTION 345. 448.9545 of the statutes is renumbered 464.45, and 464.45 (1) (a) and (2) (intro.) and (b) 2., as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.45 (1) (a) To be eligible for renewal of a license issued under s. 448.953, 464.43 (1) or (2), a licensee shall, during the 2-year period immediately preceding the renewal date specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a), complete not less than 30 credit hours of continuing education in courses of study approved by the affiliated credentialing examining board.

(2) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board may approve any of the following courses for continuing education credit:

(b) 2. Each member of the course faculty has expertise in the subject area of the course because he or she has received a degree from an accredited college or
university relating to the subject area, has experience or special training in the subject area covered by the course, or has previously taught the subject area covered by the course.

**SECTION 346.** 448.955 of the statutes is renumbered 464.46, and 464.46 (1), (2) (intro.), (a) and (c) and (3) (c), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.46 (1) The renewal date for licenses granted under this subchapter are is specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a).

(2) (intro.) Renewal applications shall be submitted to the department on a form provided, subject to sub. (3), by the department and shall include the renewal fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) and evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing board that the licensee has all of the following:

(a) Completed, during the 2-year period immediately preceding the renewal date specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a), the continuing education requirements specified in s. 448.9545.

(c) Liability insurance or a surety bond in at least the minimum amount required by the rules promulgated under s. 448.9525 (1) (d).

(3) (c) A statement, signed by the licensee and the licensee’s consulting physician, that a current copy of the protocol required under s. 448.956 is on file at the place of employment of the athletic trainer and of the consulting physician.

**SECTION 347.** 448.956 of the statutes is renumbered 464.47, and 464.47 (1) (a), (1m), (3) (intro.) and (4), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.47 (1) (a) A licensee may engage in athletic training only in accordance with an evaluation and treatment protocol that is established by the athletic trainer
and approved by the consulting physician in accordance with the rules promulgated under s. 448.9525 464.42 (2) and recorded on a protocol form prescribed by the affiliated credentialing examining board under s. 448.9525 464.42 (1) (c).

(1m) Subject to sub. (1) (a), a licensee may provide athletic training to an individual without a referral, except that a licensee may not provide athletic training as described under s. 448.95 464.40 (5) (d) or (e) in an outpatient rehabilitation setting unless the licensee has obtained a written referral for the individual from a practitioner licensed or certified under subch. II, III, IV, V, or VII of this chapter subch. I or II of this chapter; under ch. 446; under subch. II, IV, or V of ch. 448; or under s. 441.16 (2).

(3) (intro.) When working on behalf of his or her employer, a licensee may, in accordance with a protocol established under sub. (1) (a), do all any of the following:

(4) If a licensee or the consulting physician of the licensee determines that a patient’s medical condition is beyond the scope of practice of the licensee, the licensee shall, in accordance with the protocol established under sub. (1) (a), refer the patient to a health care practitioner who is licensed under subch. I of this chapter; under ch. 446 or under ch. 447; or under subch. II, III or IV of ch. 448 and who can provide appropriate treatment to the patient.

SECTION 348. 448.957 of the statutes is renumbered 464.48, and 464.48 (1), (2) (intro.), (c), (d) and (h) and (3), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.48 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board may make investigations and conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter has occurred.
(2) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board may reprimand a licensee or may deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a license granted under this subchapter if it finds that the applicant or licensee has done any of the following:

(c) Advertised in a manner that is false, deceptive, or misleading.

(d) Advertised, practiced, or attempted to practice under another’s name.

(h) Failed to cooperate with the affiliated credentialing examining board in an investigation under this section.

(3) In addition to or in lieu of the penalties provided under sub. (2), the affiliated credentialing examining board may assess against an applicant or licensee a forfeiture of not more than $10,000 for each violation specified under sub. (2).

SECTION 349. 448.958 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 350. 448.958 of the statutes is renumbered 464.49 (2) and amended to read:

464.49 (2) If the affiliated credentialing examining board has reason to believe that any person is violating this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter, the affiliated credentialing examining board, the department, the attorney general, or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring an action in the name and on behalf of this state to enjoin the person from the violation.

SECTION 351. 448.959 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 352. 448.959 of the statutes is renumbered 464.49 (1).

SECTION 353. Subchapter VII (title) of chapter 448 [precedes 448.96] of the statutes is renumbered subchapter II (title) of chapter 464 [precedes 464.20] and amended to read:
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SUBCHAPTER II

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING

BOARD THERAPY

SECTION 354. 448.96 of the statutes is renumbered 464.20, and 464.20 (1), (3), (4), (5) and (6), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.20 (1) “Affiliated credentialing “Examining board” means the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing medical therapy examining board.

(3) “Occupation” means intentional, action-oriented behavior that is personally meaningful to an individual and that is determined by the individual’s characteristics, culture, and environment.

(4) “Occupational therapist” means an individual who is licensed by the affiliated credentialing examining board to practice occupational therapy.

(5) “Occupational therapy” means the therapeutic use of purposeful and meaningful occupations to evaluate and treat individuals of all ages who have a disease, disorder, impairment, activity limitation, or participation restriction that interferes with their ability to function independently in daily life roles and environments and to promote health and wellness.

(6) “Occupational therapy assistant” means an individual who is licensed by the affiliated credentialing examining board to assist in the practice of occupational therapy under the supervision of an occupational therapist.

SECTION 355. 448.961 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.21 (title).

SECTION 356. 448.961 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.21 (1) (a) and amended to read:
464.21 (1) (a) Except as provided in s. 448.962 (1) sub. (2) (a), a person who is not licensed as an occupational therapist may not practice occupational therapy, designate himself or herself as an occupational therapist, claim to render occupational therapy services, or use the abbreviation “O.T.” or “O.T.R.” after the person’s name.

SECTION 357. 448.961 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.21 (1) (b) and amended to read:

464.21 (1) (b) Except as provided in s. 448.962 (2) sub. (2) (b), a person who is not licensed as an occupational therapy assistant may not assist in the practice of occupational therapy, describe himself or herself as an occupational therapy assistant, or claim to render occupational therapy services as an occupational therapy assistant or use the abbreviation “O.T.A.” or “C.O.T.A.” after the person’s name.

SECTION 358. 448.962 (intro.) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 359. 448.962 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.21 (2) (a), and 464.21 (2) (a) (intro.), 3. (intro.), 4. and 5., as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.21 (2) (a) (intro.) Require any of the following None of the following is required to be licensed as an occupational therapist under this subchapter:

3. (intro.) Any person performing occupational therapy services in this state under a limited permit, as provided under s. 448.963 464.22 (4), if at least one of the following applies:

4. Any person lawfully practicing within the scope of a license, permit, registration, or certification granted by this state or the federal government.
5. Any person assisting an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant in practice under the direct, immediate, and on-premises supervision of the occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant.

SECTION 360. 448.962 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.21 (2) (b), and 464.21 (2) (b) (intro.), 3. and 4., as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.21 (2) (b) (intro.) Require any of the following None of the following is required to be licensed as an occupational therapy assistant under this subchapter:

3. (intro.) Any person performing occupational therapy services in this state under a limited permit, as provided under s. 448.963 464.22 (4), if at least one of the following applies:

4. Any person lawfully practicing within the scope of a license, permit, registration, or certification granted by this state or the federal government.

SECTION 361. 448.963 of the statutes is renumbered 464.22, and 464.22 (2) (intro.), (b) (intro.), 1. and 3. and (c), (3) (intro.), (b) (intro.), 1. and 3. and (c) and (4) (intro.), (a) and (b), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.22 (2) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant a license as an occupational therapist to a person who does all of the following:

(b) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has done any of the following:

1. Successfully completed the academic requirements and supervised internship of an educational program in occupational therapy recognized by the affiliated credentialing examining board and accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association.
3. Been initially certified as an occupational therapist by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, if the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that the requirements for the certification are equivalent to the requirements under subds. 1. and 2.

   (c) Passes an examination under s. 448.964 464.23.

(3) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant a license as an occupational therapy assistant to a person who does all of the following:

   (b) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has done any of the following:

      1. Successfully completed the academic requirements and supervised internship of an educational program in occupational therapy recognized by the affiliated credentialing examining board and accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association.

      3. Been initially certified as an occupational therapy assistant by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, if the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that the requirements for the certification are equivalent to the requirements under subds. 1. and 2.

   (c) Passes an examination under s. 448.964 464.23.

(4) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board may, upon application, issue a permit for a limited period of time designated by the affiliated credentialing examining board to any of the following:

   (a) A person who presents evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board of having met the requirements under sub. (2) (b) 1. or 2., to practice occupational therapy in association with an occupational therapist.
(b) A person who presents evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examine board of having met the requirements under sub. (3) (b) 1. or 2., to assist in the practice of occupational therapy under the supervision of an occupational therapist.

**SECTION 362.** 448.964 of the statutes is renumbered 464.23, and 464.23 (1), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.23 (1) The affiliated credentialing examine board shall conduct or arrange for examinations required for occupational therapist and occupational therapy assistant licensure under s. 448.963 464.22 (2) (c) and (3) (c) at times and places determined by the affiliated credentialing board.

**SECTION 363.** 448.965 of the statutes is renumbered 464.24, and 464.24 (title), (1) (intro.) and (b) and (2), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.24 (title) **Duties and powers of affiliated credentialing examine board.** (1) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examine board shall promulgate rules that establish each of the following:

(b) Continuing education requirements for license renewal for an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant under s. 448.967 464.25 (2).

(2) The affiliated credentialing examine board may promulgate rules that define the scope of practice of occupational therapy or the scope of assisting in the practice of occupational therapy.

**SECTION 364.** 448.966 of the statutes is renumbered 464.234 and amended to read:

464.234 **Reciprocal licensure.** (1) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the affiliated credentialing examine board shall grant a license as an occupational therapist to a person who holds a similar certificate or
license in another state or territory of the United States if the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that the requirements for receiving the certificate or license in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 448.963 464.22 (2).

(2) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant a license as an occupational therapy assistant to a person who holds a similar certificate or license in another state or territory of the United States if the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that the requirements for receiving the certificate or license in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 448.963 464.22 (3).

SECTION 365. 448.967 of the statutes is renumbered 464.25, and 464.25 (2), as renumbered, is amended to read:

464.25 (2) The renewal dates for licenses granted under this subchapter are specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a). Renewal applications shall be submitted to the department on a form provided by the department and shall include the renewal fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) and a statement attesting compliance with the continuing education requirements established in rules promulgated under s. 448.965 464.24 (1) (b).

SECTION 366. 448.968 of the statutes is renumbered 464.26, and 464.26 (1) and (2) (intro.), (c), (d) and (f), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.26 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board may make investigations and conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter has occurred.
(2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board may reprimand a licensee or deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a license granted under this subchapter if it finds that the applicant or licensee has done any of the following:

(c) Advertised in a manner that is false, deceptive, or misleading.

(d) Advertised, practiced, or attempted to practice under another’s name.

(f) Engaged in unprofessional or unethical conduct in violation of the code of ethics established in the rules promulgated under s. 448.965 464.24 (1) (c).

SECTION 367. 448.969 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 368. 448.969 of the statutes is renumbered 464.27 (3) and amended to read:

464.27 (3) If the affiliated credentialing examining board has reason to believe that any person is violating this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter, the affiliated credentialing examining board, the department, the attorney general, or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to any other remedies, bring an action in the name and on behalf of this state to enjoin the person from the violation.

SECTION 369. 448.970 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 370. 448.970 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.27 (1).

SECTION 371. 448.970 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.27 (2) and amended to read:

464.27 (2) Any person aggrieved by any action taken under this subchapter by the affiliated credentialing examining board, its officers, or its agents may apply for judicial review as provided in ch. 227, and shall file notice of such appeal with the secretary of the affiliated credentialing examining board within 30 days. No court
of this state may enter an ex parte stay of any action taken by the affiliated
credentialing examining board under this subchapter.

SECTION 372. 450.10 (3) (a) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

450.10 (3) (a) 5. A physician, physician assistant, or podiatrist, physical
therapist, physical therapist assistant, occupational therapist, or occupational
therapy assistant licensed under ch. 448.

SECTION 373. 450.10 (3) (a) 5q. of the statutes is renumbered 450.10 (3) (a) 14.
and amended to read:

450.10 (3) (a) 14. An athletic trainer licensed under subch. VI III of ch. 448 464.

SECTION 374. 450.10 (3) (a) 12. of the statutes is created to read:

450.10 (3) (a) 12. A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant licensed
under subch. I of ch. 464.

SECTION 375. 450.10 (3) (a) 13. of the statutes is created to read:

450.10 (3) (a) 13. An occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant
licensed under subch. II of ch. 464.

SECTION 376. 450.11 (8) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

450.11 (8) (b) The medical examining board, insofar as this section applies to
physicians and, physician assistants, and podiatrists.

SECTION 377. 450.11 (8) (bm) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 378. 451.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

451.02 (1) An individual holding a license, permit or certificate under ch. 441,
446, 447, 448 or 449, or 464 who engages in a practice of acupuncture that is also
included within the scope of his or her license, permit or certificate.

SECTION 379. 457.01 (1c) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.01 (1c) “Advanced practice social worker” means an individual who holds an advanced practice social worker certificate granted by the social worker section under this chapter.

**SECTION 380.** 457.01 (1r) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.01 (1r) “Clinical social worker” means an individual who holds a license to practice clinical social work granted by the social worker section under this chapter.

**SECTION 381.** 457.01 (2g) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.01 (2g) “Independent social worker” means an individual who holds an independent social worker certificate granted by the social worker section under this chapter.

**SECTION 382.** 457.01 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.01 (3) “Marriage and family therapist” means an individual who holds a license to practice marriage and family therapy granted by the marriage and family therapist section under this chapter.

**SECTION 383.** 457.01 (4) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 384.** 457.01 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.01 (7) “Professional counselor” means an individual who holds a license to practice professional counseling granted by the professional counselor section under this chapter.

**SECTION 385.** 457.01 (8) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 386.** 457.01 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.01 (10) “Social worker” means an individual who holds a social worker certificate granted by the social worker section under this chapter.

**SECTION 387.** 457.01 (11) of the statutes is repealed.
SECTION 388. 457.03 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.03 (1) Upon the advice of the social worker section, marriage and family therapist section, and professional counselor section, promulgate rules establishing minimum standards for educational programs that must be completed for certification or licensure under this chapter and for supervised clinical training that must be completed for licensure as a clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, or professional counselor under this chapter and approve educational programs and supervised clinical training programs in accordance with those standards.

SECTION 389. 457.03 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.03 (2) Upon the advice of the social worker section, marriage and family therapist section, and professional counselor section, promulgate rules establishing a code of ethics to govern the professional conduct of certificate holders and licensees. The rules shall specify the services included within the practice of social work, advanced practice social work, or independent social work that an individual who is certified under this chapter as a social worker, advanced practice social worker, or independent social worker may perform and the degree of supervision, if any, required to perform those services.

SECTION 390. 457.03 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.03 (3) Upon the advice of the social worker section, promulgate rules establishing levels of social work practice for individuals with master’s or doctoral degrees in social work, in addition to the levels of practice for which certificates are granted under s. 457.08 (2) and (3), and establishing appropriate educational, training, experience, examination, and continuing education
requirements for certification and renewal of a certificate at each level of practice established in rules promulgated under this subsection.

**SECTION 391.** 457.04 (8) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

457.04 (8) (a) 1. The name, address, and telephone number of, and any other contact information available for, the appropriate section official of the examining board that or department who is responsible for receiving a complaint and investigating and conducting a hearing under for purposes of s. 457.26 (1).

**SECTION 392.** 457.06 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

**457.06 General requirements for certification or licensure.** (intro.) The social worker section, marriage and family therapist section, or professional counselor section examining board may not grant any certificate or license under this chapter unless the applicant does all of the following:

**SECTION 393.** 457.08 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (1) **Social worker certificate.** (intro.) The social worker section examining board shall grant a social worker certificate to an individual who qualifies under s. 457.09 (5) (d) or to any individual who does all of the following:

**SECTION 394.** 457.08 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (1) (b) Submits evidence satisfactory to the social worker section examining board that he or she has received a bachelor’s or master’s degree in social work from a program accredited by, or a preaccreditation program of, the council on social work education or a doctorate degree in social work.

**SECTION 395.** 457.08 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (1) (c) Passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board to determine minimum competence to practice as a social worker as specified in the rules promulgated under s. 457.03 (2).
**SECTION 396.** 457.08 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (2) **ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATE.** (intro.) The **social worker section examining board** shall grant an advanced practice social worker certificate to any individual who is certified under sub. (1) and does all of the following:

**SECTION 397.** 457.08 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (2) (b) Submits evidence satisfactory to the **social worker section examining board** that he or she has received a master’s degree in social work from a program accredited by, or a preaccreditation program of, the council on social work education or a doctorate degree in social work.

**SECTION 398.** 457.08 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (2) (c) Passes an examination approved by the **social worker section examining board** to determine minimum competence to practice as an advanced practice social worker as specified in the rules promulgated under s. 457.03 (2).

**SECTION 399.** 457.08 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (3) **INDEPENDENT SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATE.** (intro.) The **social worker section examining board** shall grant an independent social worker certificate to any individual who is certified under sub. (1) and does all of the following:

**SECTION 400.** 457.08 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (3) (b) Submits evidence satisfactory to the **social worker section examining board** that he or she has received a master’s degree in social work from a program accredited by, or a preaccreditation program of, the council on social work education or a doctorate degree in social work.

**SECTION 401.** 457.08 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.08 (3) (c) Submits evidence satisfactory to the social worker section examining board that after receiving a master’s or doctorate degree in social work he or she has engaged in the equivalent of at least 2 years of full-time supervised social work practice approved by the social worker section examining board.

SECTION 402. 457.08 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (3) (d) Passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board to determine minimum competence to practice as an independent social worker as specified in the rules promulgated under s. 457.03 (2) or passes the academy of certified social workers examination administered by the National Association of Social Workers.

SECTION 403. 457.08 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER LICENSE. (intro.) The social worker section examining board shall grant a clinical social worker license to any individual who is certified under sub. (1) and does all of the following:

SECTION 404. 457.08 (4) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) (b) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the social worker section examining board that he or she satisfies each of the following:

SECTION 405. 457.08 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) (b) 2. As part of the master’s or doctorate degree program specified in subd. 1. or postgraduate studies, the individual has completed a clinical social work concentration and supervised clinical field training, both of which are approved by the social worker section examining board, except that, upon the advice of the social worker section examining board, the examining board may promulgate rules that allow an individual to substitute a specified number of hours of supervised clinical work experience for the supervised clinical field training.
SECTION 406. 457.08 (4) (c) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) (c) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the social worker section examining board that after receiving a master's or doctorate degree in social work he or she has engaged in the equivalent of at least 3,000 hours of clinical social work practice, including at least 1,000 hours of face-to-face client contact, supervised by one of the following:

SECTION 407. 457.08 (4) (c) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) (c) 4. An individual, other than an individual specified in subd. 1., 2., or 3., who is approved by the social worker section examining board or satisfies requirements for supervision that are specified in rules promulgated by the examining board upon the advice of the social worker section examining board.

SECTION 408. 457.08 (4) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.08 (4) (d) Passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board to determine minimum competence to practice as a clinical social worker.

SECTION 409. 457.09 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (1) (intro.) The social worker section examining board shall grant a social worker training certificate to any individual who does all of the following:

SECTION 410. 457.09 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (1) (c) Submits evidence satisfactory to the social worker section examining board that he or she has a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in psychology, sociology, criminal justice, or another human service program approved by the section examining board.

SECTION 411. 457.09 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.09 (1) (d) Submits a statement to the social worker section examining board that he or she is seeking to attain social worker degree equivalency under sub. (4) while he or she holds a social worker training certificate.

**SECTION 412.** 457.09 (4m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (4m) (a) The social worker section examining board shall determine whether a course, internship, or employment satisfies the requirements under sub. (4) and whether a social worker training certificate holder has attained social worker degree equivalency.

**SECTION 413.** 457.09 (4m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (4m) (b) Notwithstanding sub. (4), for the purpose of determining whether a social worker training certificate holder has attained social worker degree equivalency under sub. (4), the section examining board shall apply course work or internships that the certificate holder completed, or employment that the certificate holder held, as part of the program leading to the degree that he or she specified to satisfy the requirement in sub. (1) (c) if the course work, internship, or employment satisfies the requirements in sub. (4).

**SECTION 414.** 457.09 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (5) (b) If a social worker training certificate holder passes the examination specified under par. (a), he or she shall be permitted to take an examination approved by the social worker section examining board that tests knowledge of state law relating to social work.

**SECTION 415.** 457.09 (5) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (5) (c) If an individual fails an examination specified under par. (a) or (b), he or she may retake the examination. The social worker section examining
board may not place any restrictions on the number of times an individual may retake the examinations specified under pars. (a) and (b).

**SECTION 416.** 457.09 (5) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.09 (5) (d) The social worker section examining board shall grant a social worker certificate to an individual who has held a social worker training certificate and who passes the examinations specified under pars. (a) and (b).

**SECTION 417.** 457.10 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 Mar**age and family therapist license.** (intro.) The marriage and family therapist section examining board shall grant a marriage and family therapist license to any individual who does all of the following:

**SECTION 418.** 457.10 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 (2) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the marriage and family therapist section examining board that he or she has done any of the following:

**SECTION 419.** 457.10 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 (2) (b) Received a master’s or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy, psychology, sociology, social work, professional counseling, or other mental health field that included course work that the marriage and family therapist section examining board determines is substantially equivalent to the course work required for a master’s or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy described under par. (a).

**SECTION 420.** 457.10 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 (3) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the marriage and family therapist section examining board that after receiving a master’s or doctorate degree required under sub. (2) he or she has engaged in the equivalent of at least 3,000 hours
of marriage and family therapy practice, including at least 1,000 hours of
face-to-face client contact, supervised by one of the following:

SECTION 421. 457.10 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 (3) (d) An individual, other than an individual specified in par. (a), (b),
or (c), who is approved by the marriage and family therapist section examining board
or satisfies requirements for supervision that are specified in rules promulgated by
the examining board upon the advice of the marriage and family therapist section
examining board.

SECTION 422. 457.10 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.10 (4) Passes an examination approved by the marriage and family
therapist section examining board to determine minimum competence to practice
marriage and family therapy.

SECTION 423. 457.11 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.11 (1) (intro.) The marriage and family therapist section examining board
shall grant a marriage and family therapist training license to any individual who
does all of the following:

SECTION 424. 457.11 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.11 (1) (c) Satisfies the requirements in s. 457.10 (2), or submits proof
satisfactory to the marriage and family therapist section examining board that he
or she is enrolled or will be enrolled in an institute for marriage and family therapy
that is approved by the commission on accreditation for marriage and family therapy
education of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy or by the
marriage and family therapist section examining board, or holds a graduate degree
in a mental health field approved by the marriage and family therapist section
examining board and is enrolled or will be enrolled in a master’s or doctoral degree
program in marriage and family therapy accredited by the commission on
accreditation for marriage and family therapy education or by the marriage and
family therapist section examining board.

SECTION 425. 457.11 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.11 (1) (d) Submits evidence satisfactory to the marriage and family
therapist section examining board that he or she is in a position, or has an offer for
a position, as a marriage and family therapist in a supervised marriage and family
therapist practice or is in a position, or has an offer for a position, in which the
applicant will, in the opinion of the marriage and family therapist section examining
board, receive training and supervision equivalent to the training and supervision
received in a supervised marriage and family therapist practice.

SECTION 426. 457.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.11 (2) A marriage and family therapist training license is valid for 48
months and may be renewed at the discretion of the marriage and family therapist
section examining board. A marriage and family therapist training license
authorizes the holder to use any title specified in s. 457.04 (5) and to practice
marriage and family therapy within the scope of his or her training or supervision
during the period in which the license is valid.

SECTION 427. 457.12 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.12 **Professional counselor license.** (intro.) The professional counselor
section examining board shall grant a professional counselor license to any
individual who does all of the following:

SECTION 428. 457.12 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.12 (2) Submits evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor section
examining board that he or she has received a master’s or doctorate degree in
professional counseling or its equivalent from a program approved by the
professional counselor section examining board.

SECTION 429. 457.12 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.12 (3) (intro.) Submits evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor
section examining board that he or she has done any of the following:

SECTION 430. 457.12 (3) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:
457.12 (3) (a) 4. An individual, other than an individual specified in subd. 1.,
2., or 3., who is approved by the professional counselor section examining board or
satisfies requirements for supervision that are specified in rules promulgated by the
examining board upon the advice of the professional counselor section examining
board.

SECTION 431. 457.12 (3) (b) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:
457.12 (3) (b) 4. An individual, other than an individual specified in subd. 1.,
2., or 3., who is approved by the professional counselor section examining board or
satisfies requirements for supervision that are specified in rules promulgated by the
examining board upon the advice of the professional counselor section.

SECTION 432. 457.12 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.12 (4) Passes an examination approved by the professional counselor
section examining board to determine minimum competence to practice professional
counseling.

SECTION 433. 457.13 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.13 (1) (intro.) The professional counselor section examining board shall
grant a professional counselor training license to any individual who does all of the
following:

SECTION 434. 457.13 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.13 (1) (d) Submits evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor section examining board that he or she is in a position, or has an offer for a position, as a professional counselor in a supervised clinical professional counseling practice or is in a position, or has an offer for a position, in which the applicant will, in the opinion of the professional counselor section examining board, receive training and supervision equivalent to the training and supervision received in a supervised clinical professional counseling practice.

SECTION 435. 457.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.13 (2) A professional counselor training license is valid for 48 months and may be renewed at the discretion of the professional counselor section examining board. Notwithstanding s. 457.04 (6), a professional counselor training license authorizes the holder to use any title specified in s. 457.04 (6) and to practice professional counseling within the scope of his or her training or supervision during the period in which the license is valid.

SECTION 436. 457.14 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.14 (1) (intro.) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (6), the appropriate section of the examining board may grant a temporary social worker, advanced practice social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, or professional counselor certificate or license to any individual who does one of the following:

SECTION 437. 457.14 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.14 (2) A temporary certificate or license granted under sub. (1) is valid for a period designated by the appropriate section of the examining board, not to exceed 9 months, and may be renewed once by that section of the examining board.

SECTION 438. 457.15 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
457.15 (1) (intro.) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the social worker section examining board may do all of the following:

**SECTION 439.** 457.15 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (1) (a) Grant a social worker certificate to any individual who holds a similar certificate in another state or territory of the United States and who passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board that tests knowledge of state law relating to social work, if the social worker section examining board determines that the requirements for obtaining the certificate in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 457.08 (1).

**SECTION 440.** 457.15 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (1) (b) Grant an advanced practice social worker certificate to any individual who holds a similar certificate in another state or territory of the United States and who passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board that tests knowledge of state law relating to advanced practice social work, if the social worker section examining board determines that the requirements for obtaining the certificate in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 457.08 (2).

**SECTION 441.** 457.15 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (1) (c) Grant an independent social worker certificate to any individual who holds a similar certificate in another state or territory of the United States and who passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board that tests knowledge of state law relating to independent social work, if the social worker section examining board determines that the requirements for obtaining the
certificate in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the
requirements under s. 457.08 (3).

SECTION 442. 457.15 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (1) (d) Grant a clinical social worker license to any individual who holds
a similar certificate or license in another state or territory of the United States and
who passes an examination approved by the social worker section examining board
that tests knowledge of state law relating to clinical social work, if the social worker
section examining board determines that the requirements for obtaining the
certificate or license in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the
requirements under s. 457.08 (4).

SECTION 443. 457.15 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (2) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2),
the marriage and family therapist section examining board may grant a marriage
and family therapist license to any individual who holds a similar certificate or
license in another state or territory of the United States and who passes an
examination approved by the marriage and family therapist section examining
board that tests knowledge of state law relating to marriage and family therapy, if
the marriage and family therapist section examining board determines that the
requirements for obtaining the certificate or license in the other state or territory are
substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 457.10.

SECTION 444. 457.15 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.15 (3) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2),
the professional counselor section examining board may grant a professional
counselor license to any individual who holds a similar certificate or license in
another state or territory of the United States and who passes an examination
approved by the professional counselor section examining board that tests knowledge of state law relating to professional counseling, if the professional counselor section examining board determines that the requirements for obtaining the certificate or license in the other state or territory are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 457.12.

SECTION 445. 457.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.16 (1) The appropriate section of the examining board shall arrange for examinations for social worker, advanced practice social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, and professional counselor certification and licensure to be conducted at least semiannually and at times and places determined by that section of the examining board, and shall provide public notice of each examination at least 90 days before the date of the examination.

SECTION 446. 457.20 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.20 (3) (c) If the application is for renewal of a professional counselor license that was originally granted as a professional counselor certificate under 1991 Wisconsin Act 160, section 21 (2) (g), evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor section examining board that the applicant continues to be employed by a federal, state, or local governmental agency as a professional counselor, professional rehabilitation counselor, vocational rehabilitation counselor, or rehabilitation counselor.

SECTION 447. 457.22 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.22 (1) (a) Upon the advice of the social worker section, promulgate rules establishing requirements and procedures for social workers, advanced practice social workers, independent social workers, and clinical social
workers to complete continuing education programs or courses of study in order to qualify for renewal.

SECTION 448. 457.22 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.22 (1) (b) Upon the advice of the marriage and family therapist section, promulgate Promulgate rules establishing requirements and procedures for marriage and family therapists to complete continuing education programs or courses of study in order to qualify for renewal.

SECTION 449. 457.22 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.22 (1) (c) Upon the advice of the professional counselor section, promulgate Promulgate rules establishing requirements and procedures for professional counselors to complete continuing education programs or courses of study in order to qualify for renewal.

SECTION 450. 457.22 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.22 (2) The rules promulgated under sub. (1) may not require an individual to complete more than 30 hours of continuing education programs or courses of study in order to qualify for renewal. The appropriate section of the examining board may waive all or part of the requirements established in rules promulgated under this section if it determines that prolonged illness, disability, or other exceptional circumstances have prevented the individual from completing the requirements.

SECTION 451. 457.25 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.25 (1) Any public or private mental health or health care agency, institution or facility, or any other person or entity that employs or contracts for services with a credential holder, that terminates, suspends, or restricts the employment or contract of the credential holder as a result of adverse or disciplinary action against the credential holder relating to his or her practice of social work,
advanced practice social work, independent social work, clinical social work, marriage and family therapy, or professional counseling shall submit a written report of the action to the appropriate section of the examining board within 30 days after the date on which the action is taken or, if grounds for such an action exist and the credential holder terminates his or her employment before the action is taken, within 30 days after the date on which the credential holder terminates his or her employment.

**SECTION 452.** 457.25 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.25 (2) Any state or local professional society or organization of social workers, marriage and family therapists, or professional counselors that terminates, revokes, or suspends the membership of a credential holder, or takes any other adverse or disciplinary action against a credential holder relating to his or her practice of social work, advanced practice social work, independent social work, clinical social work, marriage and family therapy, or professional counseling, shall submit a written report of the action to the appropriate section of the examining board within 30 days after the date on which the action is taken or, if grounds for such an action exist and the credential holder terminates his or her membership before the action is taken, within 30 days after the date on which the credential holder terminates his or her membership.

**SECTION 453.** 457.25 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.25 (3) Any insurer, as defined in s. 600.03 (27), who provides professional liability insurance coverage for a credential holder and who pays a claim for damages arising out of the rendering of services by the credential holder or obtains any information that tends to substantiate a charge that the credential holder has engaged in conduct that constitutes grounds for discipline under s. 457.26 shall
submit a written report of the payment or information to the appropriate section of
the examining board within 30 days after the date on which the payment is made or
information is obtained.

SECTION 454. 457.25 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.25 (4) Any circuit court that appoints a guardian of the person or estate
of a credential holder or makes a judgment or other determination that a credential
holder is mentally ill or mentally incompetent or that a credential holder has done
any of the acts enumerated in s. 457.26 (2) shall submit a written report of the
appointment, judgment, or determination to the appropriate section of the
examining board within 30 days after the date on which the appointment, judgment,
or determination is made.

SECTION 455. 457.26 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.26 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the appropriate
section of the examining board may make investigations and conduct hearings to
determine whether a violation of this chapter or any rule promulgated under this
chapter has occurred.

SECTION 456. 457.26 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

457.26 (2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the appropriate
section of the examining board may reprimand a credential holder or
deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a credential under this chapter if it finds that the
applicant credential holder has done any of the following:

SECTION 457. 457.28 of the statutes is amended to read:

457.28 Injunctive relief. If the appropriate section of the examining board
has reason to believe that any person is violating s. 457.04, the appropriate section
of the examining board, the examining board, the department, the attorney general,
or the district attorney of the proper county may investigate and may, in addition to
any other remedies, bring an action in the name and on behalf of this state to enjoin
the person from the violation.

SECTION 458. Subchapter III (title) of chapter 459 [precedes 459.40] of the
statutes is created to read:

CHAPTER 459

SUBCHAPTER III

LICENSURE OF SIGN

LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS

SECTION 459. 459.40 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

459.40 (2) “Examining board” means the hearing and speech examining board.

SECTION 460. 459.45 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

459.45 (title) Powers and duties of examining board.

SECTION 461. Chapter 460 (title) of the statutes is renumbered subchapter IV
(title) of chapter 464 [precedes 464.60].

SECTION 462. 460.01 (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (intro.) and
amended to read:

464.60 Definitions. (intro.) In this chapter subchapter:

SECTION 463. 460.01 (1g) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (1).

SECTION 464. 460.01 (1r) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (2) and amended
to read:

464.60 (2) “Affiliated credentialing “Examining board” means the massage
therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing medical therapy examining
board.
SECTION 465. 460.01 (2m) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (3) and amended to read:

464.60 (3) “License holder” means a person granted a license under this chapter subchapter.

SECTION 466. 460.01 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (4).

SECTION 467. 460.01 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (5).

SECTION 468. 460.01 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (6).

SECTION 469. 460.01 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (7).

SECTION 470. 460.01 (7) of the statutes is renumbered 464.60 (8).

SECTION 471. 460.02 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.61 (title).

SECTION 472. 460.02 of the statutes is renumbered 464.61 (1) and amended to read:

464.61 (1) Except as provided in s. 460.03 sub. (2), no person may provide massage therapy or bodywork therapy, designate himself or herself as a massage therapist or bodywork therapist or masseur or masseuse, or use or assume the title “massage therapist and bodywork therapist” or “massage therapist” or “bodywork therapist” or “masseur” or “masseuse” or any title that includes “massage therapist,” “bodywork therapist,” or “bodyworker,” or append to the person’s name the letters “M.T.,” “R.M.T.,” “L.M.T.,” “C.M.T.,” “B.T.,” “B.W.,” “L.B.W.” “R.B.W.” or “C.B.W.” or use any other title or designation that represents or may tend to represent that he or she is licensed under this chapter subchapter, unless the person is licensed under this chapter subchapter.

SECTION 473. 460.03 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 474. 460.03 of the statutes is renumbered 464.61 (2), and 464.61 (2) (intro.), (a), (b) and (bm) 1. (intro.) and 3., as renumbered, are amended to read:
464.61 (2) (intro.) A license under this chapter subchapter is not required for any of the following:

(a) A person holding a license, permit, registration, or certification granted by this state or the federal government who engages in a practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy within the scope of his or her license, permit, registration, or certification and who does not imply that he or she is licensed under this chapter subchapter. A person who is exempt from licensure under this subsection paragraph may use the terms “bodywork,” “bodyworker,” and “bodywork therapy” to identify his or her practice.

(b) A person who is authorized to practice massage therapy or bodywork therapy in another state or country and is providing a consultation to or demonstration with a license holder. A person who is exempt from licensure under this subsection paragraph may use the terms “bodywork,” “bodyworker,” and “bodywork therapy” to identify his or her practice.

(bm) 1. (intro.) A person who does any of the following and who satisfies the requirements of par. (b) subd. 2:

3. A person who is exempt from licensure under this subsection paragraph may use the terms “bodywork,” “bodyworker,” and “bodywork therapy” to identify his or her practice.

SECTION 475. 460.04 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 464.62 (title) and amended to read:

464.62 (title) **Duties of affiliated credentialing examining board.**

SECTION 476. 460.04 (1m) of the statutes is renumbered 464.62 (intro.) and amended to read:
464.62 (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall prepare all of the following:

(1) Prepare an examination on state laws and administrative rules governing massage therapy and bodywork therapy.

SECTION 477. 460.04 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.62 (2), and 464.62 (2) (intro.), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.62 (2) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing board shall promulgate rules that establish all of the following:

(b) Criteria for approving a training program for purposes of s. 460.05 464.63 (1) (e) 1. Rules promulgated under this paragraph shall require the training program to meet the requirements under s. 460.095 464.73 and to consist of at least 600 classroom hours.

(c) Requirements and procedures for obtaining the informed consent of a client under s. 460.11 464.69 (1) and for making a report required under s. 460.12 464.70 (1).

(d) A definition of “sexually oriented business” for purposes of s. 460.11 464.69 (3).

(e) A requirement that an applicant for a license under this chapter subchapter submit evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that the applicant has current proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator achieved through instruction provided by an individual, organization, or institution of higher education approved under s. 46.03 (38) to provide such instruction.

(f) Requirements to be satisfied by a person seeking a temporary license under s. 460.08 464.67. The rules promulgated under this subsection paragraph shall require the person to be a graduate of a massage therapy or bodywork therapy school
or program and may require the holder of a temporary license to make disclosures
to clients and to practice under the supervision of a massage therapist or bodywork
therapist licensed under this chapter subchapter.

(g) A requirement that an applicant for a license under this chapter subchapter
pass an examination on state laws and administrative rules governing massage
therapy and bodywork therapy.

SECTION 478. 460.05 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.63 (1) and 464.63
(1) (intro.), (c), (e), (f) and (g), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.63 (1) (intro.) The affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant a
license as a massage therapist or bodywork therapist to a person who satisfies all of
the following:

(c) The person submits an application for the license to the affiliated
credentialing examining board on a form provided by the affiliated credentialing
examining board.

(e) Except as provided in sub. (2), the person submits evidence satisfactory to
the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has done all of the
following:

1. Graduated from a school of massage therapy or bodywork therapy approved
by the educational approval board under s. 38.50 that meets the requirements under
s. 460.095 464.73 or completed a training program approved by the affiliated
credentialing examining board under the rules promulgated under s. 460.04 464.62
(2) (b).

2. Completed at least 6 classroom hours in the laws of this state and rules of
the affiliated credentialing examining board relating to the practice of massage
therapy or bodywork therapy in a course of instruction approved by the affiliated credentialing examining board.

(f) The person passes the examinations under s. 460.06 464.64.

(g) The person submits evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that he or she has in effect malpractice liability insurance coverage in an amount that is not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence and $1,000,000 for all occurrences in one year.

SECTION 479. 460.05 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.63 (2) and amended to read:

464.63 (2) The affiliated credentialing examining board may waive a requirement specified in sub. (1) (e) if a person establishes, to the satisfaction of the affiliated credentialing examining board, that he or she has education, training, or other experience that is substantially equivalent to the requirement.

SECTION 480. 460.05 (4) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 481. 460.06 of the statutes is renumbered 464.64 and amended to read:

464.64 Examinations. The affiliated credentialing examining board may not grant a license under this chapter subchapter unless the applicant achieves a passing grade on the following examinations:

(1) A nationally administered, entry-level competency examination for therapeutic massage and bodywork therapy that meets generally accepted psychometric principles and standards or a substantially equivalent examination approved by the affiliated credentialing examining board.

(2) The examination on state laws and administrative rules governing massage therapy and bodywork therapy required under s. 460.04 464.62 (2) (g).
SECTION 482. 460.07 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 483. 460.07 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 464.69 (4) and amended to read:

464.69 (4) Each person who is licensed under this chapter A license holder shall conspicuously display the his or her license in the place of business where he or she practices massage therapy or bodywork therapy so that the license can easily be seen and read.

SECTION 484. 460.07 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 464.65, and 464.65 (2), (3) and (4), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.65 (2) If applicable, proof of completion of continuing education under s. 464.68.

(3) Evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that the applicant has in effect malpractice liability insurance coverage in an amount that is not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence and $1,000,000 for all occurrences in one year.

(4) Evidence satisfactory to the affiliated credentialing examining board that the applicant has current proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator achieved through instruction provided by an individual, organization, or institution of higher education approved under s. 46.03 (38) to provide such instruction.

SECTION 485. 460.08 of the statutes is renumbered 464.67 and amended to read:

464.67 Temporary license. The affiliated credentialing examining board may grant a temporary license for a period not to exceed 6 months to an applicant
who satisfies the requirements established in the rules under s. 460.04 464.62 (2) (f).

A temporary license may not be renewed.

**SECTION 486.** 460.09 of the statutes is renumbered 464.66 and amended to read:

**464.66 Reciprocal license.** Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the affiliated credentialing examining board shall grant a massage therapist or bodywork therapist license to a person who holds a similar license in another state or territory of the United States or another country if the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that the requirements for receiving the license in the other state, territory, or country are substantially equivalent to the requirements under s. 460.05 464.63.

**SECTION 487.** 460.095 of the statutes is renumbered 464.73, and 464.73 (2) and (4) (intro.), as renumbered, are amended to read:

**464.73 (2)** Administer, score, and require, as a prerequisite to graduation, the examination required under s. 460.06 464.64 (2).

**(4) (intro.)** Ensure that each instructor hired by the school or training program on or after December 1, 2010, to teach courses in theory and the practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy is licensed under this chapter subchapter and has at least one of the following:

**SECTION 488.** 460.10 of the statutes is renumbered 464.68, and 464.68 (1) (intro.) and (2), as renumbered, are amended to read:

**464.68 (1) (intro.)** The affiliated credentialing examining board may promulgate rules establishing all of the following:

**(2) The affiliated credentialing examining board may waive all or part of any requirement established in rules promulgated under sub. (1) (a) if it determines that**
prolonged illness, disability, or other exceptional circumstances have prevented a license holder from completing the requirement.

SECTION 489. 460.11 of the statutes is renumbered 464.69, and 464.69 (title) and (3), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.69 (title) Practice requirements and restrictions.

(3) A license holder may not, whether for compensation or not, practice massage therapy or bodywork therapy for a sexually oriented business, as defined by the affiliated credentialing examining board by rule.

SECTION 490. 460.12 of the statutes is renumbered 464.70, and 464.70 (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) (b), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.70 Duty to make reports. (1) A license holder shall submit a report to the affiliated credentialing examining board if he or she has reasonable cause to believe that another license holder has committed a crime relating to prostitution under ss. 944.30 to 944.34 or has had sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a client. If the report relates to sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a client, the report may not identify the client unless the client has provided written consent for disclosure of this information.

(2) The affiliated credentialing examining board may use a report made under sub. (1) as the basis for an investigation under s. 460.14 464.71 (1). If, after an investigation, the affiliated credentialing examining board has reasonable cause to believe that a license holder has committed a crime, the affiliated credentialing examining board shall report the belief to the district attorney for the county in which the crime, in the opinion of the affiliated credentialing examining board, occurred.
(3) If, after an investigation, the affiliated credentialing examining board determines that a report submitted under sub. (1) is without merit, the affiliated credentialing examining board shall remove the report from the record of the licensee who is the subject of the report.

(4) All reports and records made from reports under sub. (1) and maintained by the affiliated credentialing examining board, the department, district attorneys, and other persons, officials, and institutions shall be confidential and are exempt from disclosure under s. 19.35 (1). Information regarding the identity of a client with whom a licensee is suspected of having sexual contact or sexual intercourse shall not be disclosed by persons who have received or have access to a report or record unless disclosure is consented to in writing by the client. The report of information under sub. (1) and the disclosure of a report or record under this subsection does not violate any person's responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of patient health care records, as defined in s. 146.81 (4) and as required under s. 146.82. Reports and records may be disclosed only to the affiliated credentialing examining board, the department, and the appropriate staff of a district attorney or a law enforcement agency within this state for purposes of investigation or prosecution.

(5) (b) A licensee shall submit a written report to the affiliated credentialing examining board if he or she is convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, or is found to have committed a violation, in this state or elsewhere, and if the circumstances of the felony, misdemeanor, or violation substantially relate to the practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy. The report shall identify the date, place, and nature of the conviction or finding and shall be submitted within 30 days after the entry of the judgment of conviction or the judgment finding that he or she
committed the violation. If the report is submitted by mail, the report is considered
to be submitted on the date that it is mailed.

SECTION 491. 460.13 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 492. 460.13 of the statutes is renumbered 464.69 (5) and amended to
read:

464.69 (5) Except as provided in s. 460.03 (1) and (2) 464.61 (2) (a) and (b), a
license holder may not advertise that he or she practices massage therapy or
bodywork therapy unless the advertisement includes a statement that the license
holder is a “licensed massage therapist and bodywork therapist” or “licensed
massage therapist” or “licensed bodywork therapist.”

SECTION 493. 460.14 of the statutes is renumbered 464.71, and 464.71 (1), (2)
(intro.), (f), (g) and (j), (2m) (intro.) and (3), as renumbered, are amended to read:

464.71 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated
credentialing examining board may make investigations and conduct hearings to
determine whether a violation of this chapter subchapter or any rule promulgated
under this chapter subchapter has occurred.

(2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated
credentialing examining board may reprimand a license holder or deny, limit,
suspend, or revoke a license under this chapter subchapter if it finds that the
applicant or license holder has done any of the following:

(f) Intentionally made a false statement in a report submitted under s. 460.12
464.70 (1).

(g) Engaged in unprofessional conduct in violation of the standards established
in rules promulgated under s. 460.04 464.62 (2) (a).
(j) Violated this chapter subchapter or any rule promulgated under this chapter subchapter.

(2m) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the affiliated credentialing examining board shall revoke a license under this chapter subchapter if the license holder is convicted of any of the following:

(3) The affiliated credentialing examining board may restore a license that has been suspended or revoked on such terms and conditions as the affiliated credentialing examining board may deem appropriate.

SECTION 494. 460.15 of the statutes is renumbered 464.74 and amended to read:

**464.74 Penalty Violations and penalty.** Any person who violates this chapter subchapter or any rule promulgated under this chapter subchapter shall forfeit not more than $1,000 for each violation.

SECTION 495. 460.17 of the statutes is renumbered 66.0440 and amended to read:

**66.0440 Local regulation Massage and bodywork therapy.** A city, village, town, or county may not enact an ordinance that regulates the practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy, as defined in s. 464.60 (5), by a person who is licensed by the affiliated credentialing medical therapy examining board under this chapter subch. IV of ch. 464. No provision of any ordinance enacted by a city, village, town, or county that is in effect before February 1, 1999, and that relates to the practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy, may be enforced against a person who is licensed by the affiliated credentialing medical therapy examining board under this chapter subch. IV of ch. 464.

SECTION 496. 462.01 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
462.01 (1) “Board” means the radiography medical examining board.

SECTION 497. 462.02 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

462.02 (2) (f) A podiatrist licensed under s. 448.63 or a person under the direct supervision of such a podiatrist, if the person has successfully completed a course of instruction approved by the podiatrists affiliated credentialing board related to X-ray examinations under s. 448.695 (3).

SECTION 498. Chapter 464 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

CHAPTER 464

MEDICAL THERAPY EXAMINING BOARD

SECTION 499. Subchapter I (title) of chapter 464 [precedes 464.01] of the statutes is created to read:

CHAPTER 464

SUBCHAPTER I

PHYSICAL THERAPY

SECTION 500. 464.03 (intro.) of the statutes is created to read:

464.03 Other duties of examining board. (intro.) The examining board shall do all of the following:

SECTION 501. 464.10 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

464.10 (title) Violations and penalties.

SECTION 502. 464.27 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

464.27 (title) Violations and penalties.

SECTION 503. 464.40 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

464.40 (4) “Examining board” means the medical therapy examining board.

SECTION 504. 464.41 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

464.41 (title) License required.
SECTION 505. 464.49 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

464.49 (title) Violations and penalties.

SECTION 506. 464.65 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

464.65 (title) License renewal.

SECTION 507. Chapter 470 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

CHAPTER 470

EXAMINING BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS, HYDROLOGISTS, AND SOIL SCIENTISTS

SECTION 508. 470.01 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 509. 470.01 (5m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 510. 470.01 (6m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 511. 470.01 (8) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 512. 470.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.02 (1) Engage or offer to engage in the practice of professional geology, designate himself or herself as a professional geologist, or use or assume the title “professional geologist” or any other title, letters, or designation which represents or may tend to represent the person as a professional geologist unless the person is licensed by the professional geologist section as a professional geologist under this chapter.

SECTION 513. 470.02 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.02 (2) Engage or offer to engage in the practice of professional hydrology, designate himself or herself as a professional hydrologist, or use or assume the title “professional hydrologist” or any other title, letters, or designation which represents or may tend to represent the person as a professional hydrologist unless
the person is licensed by the professional hydrologist section as a professional hydrologist under this chapter.

**SECTION 514.** 470.02 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.02 (3) Engage or offer to engage in the practice of professional soil science, designate himself or herself as a professional soil scientist, or use or assume the title “professional soil scientist” or any other title, letters, or designation which represents or may tend to represent the person as a professional soil scientist unless the person is licensed by the professional soil scientist section as a professional soil scientist under this chapter.

**SECTION 515.** 470.03 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (title) **Duties of the examining board department.**

**SECTION 516.** 470.03 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (1) (intro.) The examining board department shall do all of the following:

**SECTION 517.** 470.03 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (1) (a) Upon the advice of the professional geologist section, promulgate rules establishing requirements and standards for the practice of professional geology by a person who is licensed as a professional geologist under this chapter, including a code of ethics that governs the practice of professional geology.

**SECTION 518.** 470.03 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (1) (b) Upon the advice of the professional hydrologist section, promulgate rules establishing requirements and standards for the practice of professional hydrology by a person who is licensed as a professional hydrologist under this chapter, including a code of ethics that governs the practice of professional hydrology.
SECTION 519. 470.03 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (1) (c) Upon the advice of the professional soil scientist section, promulgate rules establishing requirements and standards for the practice of professional soil science by a person who is licensed as a professional soil scientist under this chapter, including a code of ethics that governs the practice of professional soil science.

SECTION 520. 470.03 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (2) Upon the advice of the appropriate section of the examining board, the examining board may promulgate rules that establish continuing education requirements that a person must satisfy to be eligible to renew a license that is issued under this chapter.

SECTION 521. 470.03 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.03 (3) Upon the advice of the appropriate section of the examining board, the examining board may promulgate rules that exempt a person who is engaged in a profession related to those listed in s. 470.025 (12) (intro.) from the requirement to obtain a license under this chapter if the practice of the profession by the person involves only the incidental practice of geology, hydrology, or soil science, as defined in s. 470.025 (12) (a), and the person does not designate himself or herself as a professional geologist, hydrologist, or soil scientist or use any other title, letters, or designation that represents or tends to represent that the person is a professional geologist, hydrologist, or soil scientist.

SECTION 522. 470.04 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (1) (intro.) The professional geologist, hydrologist or soil scientist section department may not grant a license under this chapter unless an applicant does each of the following:
SECTION 523. 470.04 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (2) (intro.) The department shall grant a professional geologist license to a person who satisfies the requirements under sub. (1) and who submits evidence satisfactory to the department of all of the following:

SECTION 524. 470.04 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (2) (b) Subject to sub. (7), that he or she has a bachelor’s degree with course credits in geology of a variety and nature sufficient to constitute a geology major from a college or university approved by the examining board.

SECTION 525. 470.04 (2) (c) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (2) (c) 1. (intro.) Subject to sub. (5), at least 5 years of professional experience in geologic work of a character satisfactory to the department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of geologic work. At least 2 years of the geologic work required under this subdivision must have been performed under the supervision of any of the following:

SECTION 526. 470.04 (2) (c) 1. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (2) (c) 1. c. Any other person whom the department determines is qualified to have responsible charge of geologic work.

SECTION 527. 470.04 (2) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (2) (c) 2. Subject to sub. (6), at least 7 years of professional experience in geologic work of a character satisfactory to the department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of geologic work, with a satisfactory evaluation of the last 2 years of the professional experience under a peer review system approved by the department.

SECTION 528. 470.04 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
470.04 (3) (intro.) The professional hydrologist section department shall grant a professional hydrologist license to a person who satisfies the requirements under sub. (1) and who submits evidence satisfactory to the section department of all of the following:

**SECTION 529.** 470.04 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (3) (b) Subject to sub. (7), that he or she has a bachelor’s degree with course credits in hydrology or water resources of a variety and nature sufficient to constitute a hydrology or water resources major from a college or university approved by the examining board department.

**SECTION 530.** 470.04 (3) (c) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (3) (c) 1. (intro.) Subject to sub. (5), at least 5 years of professional experience in hydrologic work of a character satisfactory to the section which department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of hydrologic work. At least 2 years of the hydrologic work required under this subdivision must have been performed under the supervision of any of the following:

**SECTION 531.** 470.04 (3) (c) 1. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (3) (c) 1. c. Any other person who the section department determines is qualified to have responsible charge of hydrologic work.

**SECTION 532.** 470.04 (3) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (3) (c) 2. Subject to sub. (6), at least 7 years of professional experience in hydrologic work of a character satisfactory to the section which department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of hydrologic work, with a satisfactory evaluation of the last 2 years of the professional experience under a peer review system approved by the section department.

**SECTION 533.** 470.04 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
470.04 (4) (intro.) The professional soil scientist section department shall grant a professional soil scientist license to a person who satisfies the requirements under sub. (1) and who submits evidence satisfactory to the section department of all of the following:

**SECTION 534.** 470.04 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (4) (b) Subject to sub. (7), that he or she has a bachelor’s degree with course credits in soil science of a variety and nature sufficient to constitute a soil science major from a college or university approved by the examining board department.

**SECTION 535.** 470.04 (4) (c) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (4) (c) 1. (intro.) Subject to sub. (5), at least 5 years of professional experience in soil science work of a character satisfactory to the section which department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of soil science work. At least 2 years of the soil science work required under this subdivision must have been performed under the supervision of any of the following:

**SECTION 536.** 470.04 (4) (c) 1. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (4) (c) 1. c. Any other person who the section department determines is qualified to have responsible charge of soil science work.

**SECTION 537.** 470.04 (4) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (4) (c) 2. Subject to sub. (6), at least 7 years of professional experience in soil science work of a character satisfactory to the section which department that demonstrates that the applicant is qualified to assume responsible charge of soil science work, with a satisfactory evaluation of the last 2 years of the professional experience under a peer review system approved by the section department.
SECTION 538. 470.04 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (5) The appropriate section of the examining board department shall reduce the 5-year-experience requirement under sub. (2) (c) 1., (3) (c) 1., or (4) (c) 1. to 4 years if an applicant for a license has one or more advanced degrees, approved by the section department, in geology, geophysics, geochemistry, hydrology, engineering geology, geotechnical engineering, soil science, or a related science.

SECTION 539. 470.04 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (6) The appropriate section of the examining board department shall reduce the 7-year-experience requirement under sub. (2) (c) 2., (3) (c) 2., or (4) (c) 2. to 6 years if an applicant for a license has one or more advanced degrees, approved by the section department, in hydrology, geology, geophysics, geochemistry, engineering geology, geotechnical engineering, soil science, or a related science.

SECTION 540. 470.04 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.04 (7) The appropriate section of the examining board department may waive a requirement specified in sub. (2) (b), (3) (b), or (4) (b) if an applicant for a license has professional experience in excess of 5 years that the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the section department is substantially equivalent to the requirement.

SECTION 541. 470.045 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.045 (3) (a) A firm, partnership, or corporation desiring a certificate of authorization shall submit an application to the department on forms provided by the department, listing the names and addresses of all officers and directors, and all individuals in its employment licensed to practice professional geology, hydrology, or soil science in this state who will be in responsible charge of professional geology, hydrology, or soil science being practiced in this state through the firm, partnership,
or corporation and other relevant information required by the appropriate section of the examining board department. A similar type of form shall also accompany the renewal fee. If there is a change in any of these persons, the change shall be reported on the same type of form, and filed with the department within 30 days after the effective date of the change. The appropriate section of the examining board department shall grant a certificate of authorization to a firm, partnership, or corporation complying with this subsection upon payment of the initial credential fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a). This subsection does not apply to firms, partnerships, or corporations exempt under s. 470.025 (3).

**SECTION 542.** 470.05 of the statutes is amended to read:

**470.05 Examination.** Beginning no later than January 1, 2000, the appropriate section of the examining board department shall conduct or arrange for examinations for licensure as a professional geologist, hydrologist, or soil scientist at least semiannually and at times and places determined by the section department. Examinations under this section shall require an applicant to demonstrate minimum competency in the principles and practice of subjects substantially related to the practice of professional geology, hydrology, or soil science and may consist of one or more written or oral tests, or both.

**SECTION 543.** 470.06 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

**470.06 Reciprocal licenses.** (intro.) Upon application and payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2), the appropriate section of the examining board department may issue a professional geologist, hydrologist, or soil scientist license to a person who has been issued a similar license by another state or territory of the United States or in another country if he or she submits evidence satisfactory to the section department of all of the following:
SECTION 544. 470.07 of the statutes is amended to read:

470.07 Renewal of licenses. The renewal dates for licenses granted under this chapter are specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a). Renewal applications shall be submitted to the department on a form provided by the department and shall include the renewal fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) and evidence satisfactory to the appropriate section of the examining board department that the applicant has completed any continuing education requirements specified in rules promulgated under s. 470.03 (2).

SECTION 545. 470.08 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the appropriate section of the examining board department may make investigations and conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this chapter or any rule promulgated under this chapter has occurred.

SECTION 546. 470.08 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the appropriate section of the examining board department may reprimand a person issued a license under this chapter, or may deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a license under this chapter, if the applicant or license holder has done any of the following:

SECTION 547. 470.08 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (2) (g) Violated any requirement or standard relating to the practice of professional geology, hydrology, or soil science established by the examining board department by rule.

SECTION 548. 470.08 (2) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (2) (i) Failed to cooperate with the examining board department in an investigation under this section.
SECTION 549. 470.08 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (3) The examining board department may reprimand a firm, partnership, or corporation that holds a certificate of authorization issued under this chapter or may limit, suspend or revoke such a certificate if any of the agents, employees, or officers of the firm, partnership, or corporation has committed any act or has been guilty of any conduct which would authorize a reprimand or a limitation, suspension, or revocation of a license under this chapter, unless the firm, partnership, or corporation submits evidence satisfactory to the examining board department that the agent, employee, or officer is no longer practicing or offering to practice professional geology, hydrology, or soil science in its behalf.

SECTION 550. 470.08 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (4) Any person may make charges that any holder of a license or certificate of authorization issued under this chapter has committed an act for which a reprimand or limitation, suspension, or revocation of registration is authorized under sub. (2). Such charges shall be in writing, shall be sworn to by the person making them, and shall be submitted to the examining board department. The examining board department may, on its own motion, make such charges. All charges, unless dismissed by the examining board department as unfounded or trivial, shall be heard by the appropriate section of the examining board department, subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1).

SECTION 551. 470.08 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (5) If, after a hearing under sub. (4), 3 members of a section of the examining board department vote in favor of sustaining the charges specified in sub. (4), the examining board department shall reprimand the holder of
the license or certificate of authorization or limit, suspend, or revoke the license or certificate.

SECTION 552. 470.08 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

470.08 (6) The examining board department, for reasons the appropriate section of the examining board department considers sufficient, may reissue a license or certificate of record to any person whose certificate has been revoked if 3 members of the section vote in favor of the reissuance. Subject to the rules of the examining board department, the examining board department may, upon payment of the required fee, issue a new license or certificate of authorization to replace any license or certificate that is revoked, lost, destroyed, or mutilated.

SECTION 553. Chapter 480 (title) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

CHAPTER 480

AUCTIONEERS

SECTION 554. 480.01 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 555. 480.04 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 556. 480.06 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 557. 480.18 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

480.18 (3) An auctioneer shall, upon reasonable notice, make the records described in sub. (1) available for inspection and copying by the department or the board.

SECTION 558. 480.24 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

480.24 (1) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the board department may make investigations or conduct hearings to determine whether a violation of this chapter or any rule promulgated under this chapter has occurred.
The board department may require a registrant or an auction company representative of an auction company that is a registrant to undergo and may consider the results of one or more physical, mental, or professional competency examinations if the board department believes that the results of any of those examinations may be useful to the board department in conducting its investigation.

**SECTION 559.** 480.24 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

480.24 (2) (intro.) Subject to the rules promulgated under s. 440.03 (1), the board department may reprimand a registrant or deny, limit, suspend, or revoke a certificate under this chapter if it finds that the applicant or registrant or an auction company representative of an auction company that is an applicant or registrant has done any of the following:

**SECTION 560.** 480.24 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

480.24 (3) (intro.) The board department may, as a condition of removing a limitation imposed under this chapter on a certificate issued under this chapter or of reinstating a certificate that has been suspended or revoked under this chapter, do any of the following:

**SECTION 561.** 480.24 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

480.24 (3) (a) Require the registrant or an auction company representative of an auction company that is a registrant to obtain minimum results specified by the board department on one or more physical, mental, or professional competency examinations if the board department determines that obtaining the minimum results is related to correcting one or more of the bases upon which the limitation, suspension, or revocation was imposed.

**SECTION 562.** 632.895 (12m) (b) 7. of the statutes is amended to read:
632.895 (12m) (b) 7. An occupational therapist, as defined in s. 448.96 464.20 (4).

SECTION 563. 655.45 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

655.45 (1) For the quarter beginning on July 1, 1986, and for each quarter thereafter, the director of state courts shall file reports complying with sub. (2) with the medical examining board, the physical therapy examining board, the podiatry affiliated credentialing board, the board of nursing, and the department, respectively, regarding health care providers licensed by the respective bodies.

SECTION 564. 655.45 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

655.45 (1m) For the quarter beginning on July 1, 1995, and for each quarter thereafter, the director of state courts shall file reports complying with sub. (2) with the dietitians affiliated credentialing board department of safety and professional services regarding health care providers certified by the dietitians affiliated credentialing board under subch. V of ch. 448.

SECTION 565. 895.48 (1m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

895.48 (1m) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), any physician, physician assistant, or podiatrist, or athletic trainer licensed under ch. 448, chiropractor licensed under ch. 446, dentist licensed under ch. 447, athletic trainer licensed under subch. III of ch. 464, emergency medical technician licensed under s. 256.15, first responder certified under s. 256.15 (8), registered nurse licensed under ch. 441, or a massage therapist or bodywork therapist licensed under ch. 460 subch. IV of ch. 464 who renders voluntary health care to a participant in an athletic event or contest sponsored by a nonprofit corporation, as defined in s. 66.0129 (6) (b), a private school, as defined in s. 115.001 (3r), a tribal school, as defined in s. 115.001 (15m), a public agency, as defined in s. 609.655 (1) (c), or a school, as defined in s. 609.655 (1) (c), is
immune from civil liability for his or her acts or omissions in rendering that care if all of the following conditions exist:

1. The health care is rendered at the site of the event or contest, during transportation to a health care facility from the event or contest, or in a locker room or similar facility immediately before, during, or immediately after the event or contest.

2. The physician, podiatrist, athletic trainer, chiropractor, dentist, emergency medical technician, first responder, physician assistant, registered nurse, massage therapist, or bodywork therapist does not receive compensation for the health care, other than reimbursement for expenses.

SECTION 565. 905.015 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

905.015 (2) (intro.) In addition to the privilege under sub. (1), a person who is licensed as an interpreter under s. 440.032 (3) 459.42 may not disclose any aspect of a confidential communication facilitated by the interpreter unless one of the following conditions applies:

SECTION 567. 938.78 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

938.78 (2) (g) Paragraph (a) does not prohibit an agency from disclosing information about an individual in its care or legal custody on the written request of the department of safety and professional services or of any interested examining board or affiliated credentialing board in that department for use in any investigation or proceeding relating to any alleged misconduct by any person who is credentialed or who is seeking credentialing under ch. 448, 455 or 457, or 464. Unless authorized by an order of the court, the department of safety and professional services and any examining board or affiliated credentialing board in that department shall keep confidential any information obtained under this paragraph.
and may not disclose the name of or any other identifying information about the individual who is the subject of the information disclosed, except to the extent that redisclosure of that information is necessary for the conduct of the investigation or proceeding for which that information was obtained.

**SECTION 9138. Nonstatutory provisions; Safety and Professional Services.**

(1) **Elimination of certain boards and transfer of their functions to the Department of Safety and Professional Services.**

(a) **Assets and liabilities.** On the effective date of this paragraph, all assets and liabilities of the auctioneer board, cemetery board, dietitians affiliated credentialing board, and examining board of professional geologists, hydrologists, and soil scientists, and all assets and liabilities of the medical examining board that are primarily related to the functions of the dietitians affiliated credentialing board, as determined by the secretary of safety and professional services, become the assets and liabilities of the department of safety and professional services.

(b) **Tangible personal property.** On the effective date of this paragraph, all records and other tangible personal property of the auctioneer board, cemetery board, dietitians affiliated credentialing board, and examining board of professional geologists, hydrologists, and soil scientists, and all records and other tangible personal property of the medical examining board that are primarily related to the functions of the dietitians affiliated credentialing board, as determined by the secretary of safety and professional services, are transferred to the department of safety and professional services.

(c) **Contracts.** All contracts entered into by the auctioneer board, cemetery board, dietitians affiliated credentialing board, and examining board of professional
geologists, hydrologists, and soil scientists remain in effect and are transferred to the
department of safety and professional services. The department of safety and
professional services shall carry out any obligations under such a contract until the
contract is modified or rescinded by the department of safety and professional
services to the extent allowed under the contract.

(d) Rules and orders. All rules promulgated by the cemetery board, dietitians
affiliated credentialing board, and examining board of professional geologists,
hydrologists, and soil scientists that are in effect on the effective date of this
paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until amended
or repealed by the department of safety and professional services. All orders issued
by those boards and by the auctioneer board that are in effect on the effective date
of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until
modified or rescinded by the department of safety and professional services.

(e) Pending matters. All matters pending with the auctioneer board, cemetery
board, dietitians affiliated credentialing board, and examining board of professional
geologists, hydrologists, and soil scientists on the effective date of this paragraph are
transferred to the department of safety and professional services and all materials
submitted to or actions taken by those boards with respect to the pending matters
are considered as having been submitted to or taken by the department of safety and
professional services.

(2) Elimination of certain boards and transfer of their functions to the
medical examining board.

(a) Assets and liabilities. On the effective date of this paragraph, all assets and
liabilities of the podiatry affiliated credentialing board and radiography examining
board become the assets and liabilities of the medical examining board.
(b) **Tangible personal property.** On the effective date of this paragraph, all records and other tangible personal property of the podiatry affiliated credentialing board and radiography examining board are transferred to the medical examining board.

(c) **Contracts.** All contracts entered into by the podiatry affiliated credentialing board and radiography examining board remain in effect and are transferred to the medical examining board. The medical examining board shall carry out any obligations under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded by the medical examining board to the extent allowed under the contract.

(d) **Rules and orders.** All rules promulgated by the podiatry affiliated credentialing board and radiography examining board that are in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until amended or repealed by the medical examining board. All orders issued by those boards that are in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until modified or rescinded by the medical examining board.

(e) **Pending matters.** All matters pending with the podiatry affiliated credentialing board and radiography examining board on the effective date of this paragraph are transferred to the medical examining board and all materials submitted to or actions taken by those boards with respect to the pending matters are considered as having been submitted to or taken by the medical examining board.

(3) **TRANSFER OF REGULATION OF SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS.**

(a) **Transfer of functions.**

1. ‘Rules and orders.’ All rules promulgated by the department of safety and professional services and of the sign language interpreter council under the
authority of section 440.032 of the statutes and that are in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect until their specified expiration date or until amended or repealed by the hearing and speech examining board. All orders issued by the department of safety and professional services under the authority of section 440.032 of the statutes or of the sign language interpreter council that are in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect until their specified expiration date or until modified or rescinded by the hearing and speech examining board.

2. ‘Pending matters.’ Any matter pending with the department of safety and professional services under the authority of section 440.032 of the statutes or of the sign language interpreter council on the effective date of this subdivision is transferred to the hearing and speech examining board, and all materials submitted to or actions taken by the department of safety and professional services or the sign language interpreter council with respect to the pending matter are considered as having been submitted to or taken by the hearing and speech examining board.

3. ‘Contracts.’ All contracts entered into by the department of safety and professional services under the authority of section 440.032 of the statutes or of the sign language interpreter council in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect and are transferred to the hearing and speech examining board. The hearing and speech examining board shall carry out any obligations under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded by the hearing and speech examining board to the extent allowed under the contract.

(b) Board membership.

1. ‘Reduction in board membership.’ The governor shall determine which hearing instrument specialist member is to be removed from the hearing and speech
examining board as a result of this act’s treatment of section 15.405 (6m) (a) of the statutes. No later than the 60th day after the effective date of this subdivision, the governor shall notify the examining board of that determination and report that determination to the legislature under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes.

2. ‘Initial appointments.’ Notwithstanding the length of terms specified for the members of the hearing and speech examining board under section 15.405 (6m) of the statutes, the new member appointed to the hearing and speech examining board under section 15.405 (6m) (e) of the statutes, as affected by this act, shall be appointed for a term expiring on July 1, 2018; one of the 2 new members appointed to the hearing and speech examining board under section 15.405 (6m) (dm) of the statutes, as created by this act, shall be appointed for a term expiring on July 1, 2018; and one of the 2 new members appointed to the hearing and speech examining board under section 15.405 (6m) (dm) of the statutes, as created by this act, shall be appointed for a term expiring on July 1, 2019.

(4) ELIMINATION OF CERTAIN BOARD SECTIONS.

(a) Assets and liabilities.

1. On the effective date of this paragraph, all assets and liabilities of each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services become the assets and liabilities of that examining board.

2. On the effective date of this paragraph, all assets and liabilities of each section of the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board in the department of safety and professional services become the assets and liabilities of that examining board.

(b) Tangible personal property.
1. On the effective date of this paragraph, all records and other tangible personal property of each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services are transferred to that examining board.

2. On the effective date of this paragraph, all records and other tangible personal property of each section of the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board in the department of safety and professional services are transferred to that examining board.

(c) Contracts.

1. All contracts entered into by each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect and are transferred to that examining board. The examining board shall carry out any obligations under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded by the examining board to the extent allowed under the contract.

2. All contracts entered into by each section of the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board in the department of safety and professional services in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect and are transferred to that examining board. The examining board shall carry out any obligations under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded by the examining board to the extent allowed under the contract.

(d) Rules and orders.
1. All rules promulgated by each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services that are in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until amended or repealed by that examining board. All orders issued by each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services that are in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until modified or rescinded by the examining board.

2. All orders issued by each section of the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board in the department of safety and professional services that are in effect on the effective date of this paragraph remain in effect until their specified expiration dates or until modified or rescinded by that examining board.

(e) Pending matters.

1. All matters pending with each section of the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, and professional land surveyors in the department of safety and professional services on the effective date of this paragraph are transferred to that examining board and all materials submitted to or actions taken by each section with respect to the pending matters are considered as having been submitted to or taken by the examining board.

2. All matters pending with each section of the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board in the department of safety and professional services on the effective date of this paragraph are
transferred to that examining board and all materials submitted to or actions taken
by each section with respect to the pending matters are considered as having been
submitted to or taken by the examining board.

(f) **Elimination of board members.**

1. The governor shall determine which 14 members — consisting of one
architect, one landscape architect, one professional engineer, one designer, one
professional land surveyor, and 9 public members — are to be removed from the
examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers,
designers, and professional land surveyors as a result of this act’s treatment of
section 15.405 (2) of the statutes. No later than the 60th day after the effective date
of this paragraph, the governor shall notify the examining board of that
determination and report that determination to the legislature under section 13.172
(2) of the statutes.

2. The governor shall determine which 3 members — consisting of 1 social
worker and 2 public members — are to be removed from the marriage and family
therapy, professional counseling, and social work examining board as a result of this
act’s treatment of section 15.405 (7c) (a) 1. and 4. of the statutes. No later than the
60th day after the effective date of this paragraph, the governor shall notify the
affected members and the examining board of that determination and report that
determination to the legislature under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes.

(5) **Elimination of athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board,**

occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, and massage therapy and
bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board.

(a) **Transfer of functions.**
1. ‘Rules and orders.’ All rules promulgated by the athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, and the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board and that are in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect until their specified expiration date or until amended or repealed by the medical therapy examining board. All orders issued by the athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, and the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board that are in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect until their specified expiration date or until modified or rescinded by the medical therapy examining board.

2. ‘Pending matters.’ Any matter pending with the athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, or the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board on the effective date of this subdivision is transferred to the medical therapy examining board, and all materials submitted to or actions taken by the athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, or the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board with respect to the pending matter are considered as having been submitted to or taken by the medical therapy examining board.

3. ‘Contracts.’ All contracts entered into by the athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, or the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board in effect on the effective date of this subdivision remain in effect and are transferred to the medical therapy examining board. The medical therapy examining board shall carry
out any obligations under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded
by the medical therapy examining board to the extent allowed under the contract.

4. ‘Tangible personal property.’ On the effective date of this subdivision, all
tangible personal property, including records, of the athletic trainers affiliated
credentialing board, the occupational therapists affiliated credentialing board, and
the massage therapy and bodywork therapy affiliated credentialing board is
transferred to the medical therapy examining board.

(b) Medical therapy examining board membership; initial appointments.
Notwithstanding the length of terms specified for the members of the medical
therapy examining board under section 15.405 (7r) of the statutes, the new member
appointed to the medical therapy examining board under section 15.405 (7r) (ar) of
the statutes, as affected by this act, shall be appointed for a term expiring on July
1, 2018; the new member appointed to the medical therapy examining board under
section 15.405 (7r) (at) of the statutes, as affected by this act, shall be appointed for
a term expiring on July 1, 2019; and the new member appointed to the medical
therapy examining board under section 15.405 (7r) (av) of the statutes, as affected
by this act, shall be appointed for a term expiring on July 1, 2020.

SECTION 9352. Initial applicability; Other.

(1) The treatment of section 17.07 (3e) of the statutes first applies to a state
officer who is appointed and qualifies on the effective date of this act.

SECTION 9400. Effective dates; general. Except as otherwise provided in
Sections 9401 to 9452 of this act, this act takes effect on the day after publication.

SECTION 9438. Effective dates; Safety and Professional Services.

(1) Elimination of certain board members. The treatment of section 15.405 (2)
(intro.), (a), (b), and (c), (6m) (a), and (7c) (a) 1. and 4., (am) (intro.) and 4., (b), (c), (d),
(e), and (f) of the statutes takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after publication.

(2) CERTAIN TERMS OF BOARD MEMBERS. The repeal and recreation of section 15.07 (1) (cm) of the statutes takes effect on June 30, 2016.

(END)