Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING	:		
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE	:	REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE	
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD	:	CR 13-090	
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I. THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule, including the analysis and text, is attached.

II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:

None.

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III. FISCAL ESTIMATE AND EIA:

The Fiscal Estimate and EIA is attached.

IV. DETAILED STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BASIS AND PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE, INCLUDING HOW THE PROPOSED RULE ADVANCES RELEVANT STATUTORY GOALS OR PURPOSES:

The proposed rules advances the statutory goal of s. 448.40, Stats., by amending s. Med 1.02 to eliminate the requirements that applicants for a license to practice medicine and surgery submit a verified photographic copy of the diploma conferring the degree of doctorate of medicine or doctorate of osteopathy. Currently, s. Med 1.02 requires applicants for medical licensure to file both documentary evidence from a medical school or osteopathic school of medicine and a verified photographic copy of their diploma. Since the necessary information is readily supplied by the medical or osteopathic school, there is no need for applicants to provide a verified photographic copy of their diploma. Also diplomas are more susceptible to fraud than verification directly from the school.

V. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND THE BOARD'S RESPONSES, EXPLANATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED RULES PROMPTED BY PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Medical Examining Board held a public hearing on November 20, 2013. The following people either testified at the hearing, or submitted written comments:

No testimony was received during the public hearing. Written comments consisted of Mark Grapentine of the Wisconsin Medical Society, Madison, WI

The Board summarizes the comments received either by hearing testimony or by written submission as follows:

Mr. Grapentine attended the public hearing in support of the proposed rule.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

All of the recommendations suggested in the Clearinghouse Report have been accepted.

VII. REPORT FROM THE SBRRB AND FINAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS:

This proposed rule does not have an economic impact on small business as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats.