

Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE  
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : CR 23-040  
OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD :

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**I. THE PROPOSED RULE:**

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

**II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:**

N/A

**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 board is updating the continuing education requirements in order to clarify the number of in person continuing education hours required to renew an optometry license. Additionally, the continuing education requirements are also being reviewed and updated to create clarity and ensure required topics reflect the current practice of optometry, which takes into consideration if the licensee holds a DEA registration and does not prescribe controlled substances.

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

The Optometry Examining Board held a public hearing on September 28, 2023. The Board did not receive any written comments or testimony concerning the proposed rules.

**VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

All Legislative Council recommendations have been incorporated into the proposed rules.

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

N/A