

STATE OF WISCONSIN
REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING : PROPOSED ORDER OF THE
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD
REAL ESTATE : ADOPTING RULES
EXAMINING BOARD : (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE)

PROPOSED ORDER

An order of the Real Estate Examining Board to create REEB 12.012, relating to reciprocal credentials for service members, former service members, and their spouses.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

ANALYSIS

Statutes interpreted:

Section 440.09, Stats.

Statutory authority:

Sections 15.08 (5) (b) and 440.09 (5), Stats.

Explanation of agency authority:

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats., provides an examining board “shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains. . .”

Section 440.09 (5), Stats., states that “[t]he department or credentialing board, as appropriate, may promulgate rules necessary to implement this section.”

Related statute or rule:

Section 440.09, Stats., specifies the requirements for issuing reciprocal credentials to service members, former service members, and the spouses of service members and former service members.

Plain language analysis:

The proposed rule creates a provision to implement s. 440.09, Stats., as created by 2019 Wisconsin Act 143. Section 440.09, Stats., specifies the requirements for issuing reciprocal credentials to service members, former service members, and the spouses of service members and former service members.

Summary of, and comparison with, existing or proposed federal regulation:

None.

Comparison with rules in adjacent states:

Illinois:

The Illinois Statutes provide for the expedited licensure of service members and their spouses (20 ILCS 5/5-715). "Service member" includes a person whose active duty service concluded within the two years preceding application for licensure. A license issued to a service member or the spouse of a service member may be renewed.

Iowa:

Rules of the Professional Licensing and Regulation Bureau of the Iowa Department of Commerce provide for the expedited reciprocal licensure of a veteran or a spouse of an active duty service member (193 IAC 193.14.3). A reciprocal license issued to a veteran or a spouse of an active duty service member may be renewed.

Michigan:

The Michigan Statutes provide for temporary licensure of the spouse of an active duty service member (MCL 339.213). A temporary license is valid for six months and may be renewed for one additional six-month term if it is determined the licensee continues to meet the requirements for temporary licensure and needs additional time to fulfill the requirements for initial licensure.

Minnesota:

The Minnesota Statutes provide for temporary licensure of an individual who is an active duty military member, the spouse of an active duty military member, or a veteran who has left service in the two years preceding the date of license application (2019 Minnesota Statutes, Section 197.4552). A temporary license allows a qualified individual to perform regulated professional services for a limited length of time as determined by the applicable licensing board. During the temporary license period, the individual must complete the full application procedure as required by applicable law.

Summary of factual data and analytical methodologies:

The proposed rules were developed by reviewing the provisions of s. 440.09, Stats., as created by 2019 Wisconsin Act 143, and obtaining input and feedback from the Real Estate Examining Board.

Fiscal estimate and economic impact analysis:

The fiscal estimate and economic impact analysis will be attached upon completion.

Analysis and supporting documents used to determine effect on small business or in preparation of economic impact analysis:

The proposed rules will be posted for a period of 14 days to solicit public comment on economic impact, including how the proposed rules may affect businesses, local governmental units, and individuals.

Effect on small business:

These rules do not have an economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats. The Department’s Regulatory Review Coordinator, Dan Hereth, may be contacted by calling (608) 267-2435.

Agency contact person:

Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8366; telephone 608-267-7139; email at DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov.

Place where comments are to be submitted and deadline for submission:

Comments may be submitted to Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, WI 53708-8366, or by email to DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov. Comments must be received on or before the public hearing to be held at 10:00 AM on August 19, 2021 to be included in the record of rule-making proceedings.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. REEB 12.012 is created to read:

REEB 12.012 Application procedure for service members, former service members, and their spouses. (1) In this section:

- (a) “Former service member” has the meaning in s. 440.09 (1) (a), Stats.
- (b) “Service member” has the meaning in s. 440.09 (1) (b), Stats.
- (c) “Spouse” has the meaning in s. 440.09 (1) (c), Stats.

(2) A service member, a former service member, or the spouse of a service member shall submit all of the following:

- (a) Completed application form with the signature of the applicant and fee as determined by the department under s. 440.05 (2), Stats.
- (b) Statement that the individual resides in this state.
- (c) Documentation that the individual is a service member, former service member or the spouse of a service member. If an individual is unable to provide the documentation, the individual may submit an affidavit to the board stating that the individual is a service member, former service member, or the spouse of a service member or former service member.
- (d) Evidence of holding a license, in good standing, that was granted by a governmental authority in a jurisdiction outside of Wisconsin that qualifies the individual to perform acts authorized under a real estate salesperson and real estate broker license granted by the board.

(3) A license granted under this subsection expires on the applicable renewal date specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a), except that if the first renewal date specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a) after the date on which the license is granted is within 180 days of the date on which

the license is granted, the license expires on the 2nd renewal date specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a) after the date on which the license is granted.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

(END OF TEXT OF RULE)
