



## 2019 SENATE BILL 546

October 31, 2019 - Introduced by Senators TESTIN, NASS, SCHACHTNER and KOOYENGA, cosponsored by Representatives VANDERMEER, MAGNAFICI, BOWEN, HORLACHER, KRUG, KULP, MURSAU, PETRYK, SKOWRONSKI, TUSLER, WICHGERS and EDMING. Referred to Committee on Public Benefits, Licensing and State-Federal Relations.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 448.52 (1m) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** the practice of  
2           physical therapy students and physical therapist assistant students and  
3           granting rule-making authority.

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

This bill 1) modifies the practice permissions for physical therapy students and physical therapist assistant students to eliminate requirements that they be assisting physical therapists when practicing and 2) allows the Physical Therapy Examining Board to promulgate rules related to the supervision of students who perform physical therapy procedures and related tasks.

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

4           **SECTION 1.** 448.52 (1m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5           448.52 **(1m)** (c) A physical therapy student assisting a physical therapist in the  
6           practice of physical therapy or a physical therapist assistant student assisting a  
7           physical therapist in performing physical therapy procedures and related tasks, if  
8           the assistance doing so is within the scope of the student's education or training. The

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1 examining board may promulgate rules related to the supervision of students who  
2 perform physical therapy procedures and related tasks.

3 (END)