



State of Wisconsin
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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 101.022; and *to create* 440.041 of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 biennial report on various metrics related to the issuance of occupational
3 credentials.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the NOTES provided by the Joint Legislative Council in the bill.

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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Study Committee on Occupational Licenses.

The bill requires the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) to include the following information in its biennial report to the Legislature, for the time period since the prior report:

- The total number of initial and renewal applications received by DSPS and any credentialing board, and the number of credentials granted and issued.
- The median number of days from the day that an application is initiated to the date that a final determination is made, for each of the following categories: all applications; applications in the health professions; applications in the business professions; applications in the trade professions; applications in all other professions; and applications in each individual profession.
- The median number of contacts made to and received from an applicant before a final determination on the applicant's credential is issued.

- The total number of applications for which DSPS or a credentialing board requested more information.
- The total number of applications that required DSPS or a credentialing board to review an arrest, conviction, or other offense record.

1 **SECTION 1.** 101.022 of the statutes is amended to read:

2 **101.022 Certain laws applicable to occupational licenses.** Sections
3 440.03 (1), (3m), (4), (11m), and (13) (a), (am), and (b) 75., 440.041, 440.05 (1) (a) and
4 (2) (b), 440.075, 440.09 (2), 440.11, 440.12, 440.121, 440.13, 440.14, 440.15, 440.19,
5 440.20 (1), (3), (4) (a), and (5) (a), 440.205, 440.21, and 440.22, and the requirements
6 imposed on the department under those statutes, apply to occupational licenses, as
7 defined in s. 101.02 (1) (a) 2., in the same manner as those statutes apply to
8 credentials, as defined in s. 440.01 (2) (a).

9 **SECTION 2.** 440.041 of the statutes is created to read:

10 **440.041 Biennial report on issuance of credentials.** The department
11 shall, in its report under s. 15.04 (1) (d), include all of the following covering the time
12 period since the previous report:

13 **(1)** The number of applications for initial credentials and applications for the
14 renewal of a credential that were received by the department and by any
15 credentialing board and the number of credentials granted and issued.

16 **(2)** The median number of days from the day that an application for a credential
17 is initiated by the applicant to the date that a final determination on an application
18 is made. The department shall report the median for all applications and shall
19 separately report the median for applications in the health professions, business
20 professions, trade professions, all other professions, and each profession
21 individually.

