



2013 ASSEMBLY BILL 408

October 4, 2013 – Introduced by Representatives SEVERSON, BERNIER, BEWLEY, BIES, KOOYENGA, MASON, PRIDEMORE, SPIROS, SWEARINGEN, THIESFELDT, TITTL, WACHS, WEATHERSTON and WRIGHT, cosponsored by Senators HARSDORF, VUKMIR, TIFFANY, LEHMAN and GROTHMAN. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 447.06 (2) (c) 4.; *to amend* 447.065 (2); and *to create* 447.02
2 (2) (f), 447.04 (2) (d) and 447.06 (2) (e) 4. of the statutes; **relating to:** a dental
3 hygienist’s administration of nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia and practice of
4 dental hygiene.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Dentistry Examining Board (board) licenses dental hygienists in Wisconsin. Also under current law, the board certifies qualified dental hygienists to administer a local anesthesia.

This bill requires the board to grant a certificate to administer nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia to a dental hygienist who is licensed by the board and who satisfies certain educational requirements that the bill directs the board to establish by rule. Under the bill, the certificate, once issued, remains in effect while the dental hygienist holds a valid license to practice dental hygiene in Wisconsin, unless the board suspends or revokes the certificate.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** 447.02 (2) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

ASSEMBLY BILL 408**SECTION 1**

1 447.02 (2) (f) The educational requirements for a dental hygienist licensed
2 under this chapter to administer nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia under s. 447.06
3 (2) (e) 4.

4 **SECTION 2.** 447.04 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

5 447.04 (2) (d) 1. The examining board shall grant a certificate to administer
6 nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia to a dental hygienist who is licensed under par.
7 (a) or (b) and who submits evidence satisfactory to the examining board that he or
8 she satisfies the educational requirements established in rules promulgated under
9 s. 447.02 (2) (f), including by having satisfied substantially similar requirements in
10 another state.

11 2. A certificate granted under subd. 1. remains in effect while the dental
12 hygienist's license granted under par. (a) or (b) remains in effect unless the board
13 suspends or revokes the certificate.

14 **SECTION 3.** 447.06 (2) (c) 4. of the statutes is repealed.

15 **SECTION 4.** 447.06 (2) (e) 4. of the statutes is created to read:

16 447.06 (2) (e) 4. If the dental hygienist is certified under s. 447.04 (2) (d) 1.,
17 nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia.

18 **SECTION 5.** 447.065 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 447.065 (2) Subject to the requirements under s. 447.06 (2), a dentist who is
20 licensed to practice dentistry under this chapter may delegate to a dental hygienist
21 who is licensed to practice dental hygiene under this chapter the performance of
22 remediable procedures and the administration of oral systemic premedications, local
23 anesthesia, nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia, and subgingival sustained release
24 chemotherapeutic agents.

25 **SECTION 6. Effective date.**

