

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

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1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original    Updated    Corrected

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2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

Chir 2, 3

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3. Subject

Practical exams for chiropractors

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4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEG-S

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5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

20.165(1)(g)

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6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect    Increase Existing Revenues    Increase Costs  
 Indeterminate    Decrease Existing Revenues    Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Cost

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7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy    Specific Businesses/Sectors  
 Local Government Units    Public Utility Rate Payers  
 Small Businesses **(if checked, complete Attachment A)**

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8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes    No

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9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

2013 Wisconsin Act 20 repealed the practical exam requirement for persons seeking licensure as a chiropractor in Wisconsin. The proposed rule seeks to amend current administrative code to reflect that change. Prior to the passage of Act 20, applicants for licensure to practice as a chiropractor in Wisconsin were required to successfully complete a practical exam testing clinical skills offered by the Chiropractic Examining Board. Now applicants must successfully complete parts I, II, III, IV of the examination administered by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE). Act 20 set the passing score of 438 for Part III and at least 475 on Part IV. The proposed rule will amend pertinent provisions of Chir 2 and 3 to reflect the changes made by Act 20.

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10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

The rule was posted on the Department of Safety and Professional Service's website for 14 days in order to solicit comments from businesses, associations representing businesses, local governmental units and individuals that may be affected by the rule. No comments were received.

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11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

No local governmental units participated in the development of this EIA.

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12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This proposed rule will have minimal or no impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers, local governmental units or the state's economy as a whole.

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

By replacing the practical exam with the nationally administered NBCE Exam, the Chiropractic Examining Board will be able to objectively identify individuals who have the knowledge and skills to be safe and effective practitioners. There is no alternative to implementing the rule due to the change in standard was brought about by the passage of 2013 Wisconsin Act 20.

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14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

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Consistent administration of the NBCE exam will result in identifying highly skilled and qualified persons becoming licensed chiropractors in Wisconsin.

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15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government  
None.

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16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

**Illinois:** Illinois requires applicants to pass Parts I, II, and III of the National Board of Chiropractic Examination test with a score of at least 375 on all 3 parts of the exam. 68 ILL. ADMIN. CODE 1285.60 b).

**Iowa:** Licensure in Iowa requires passing Parts I, II, III and IV of the National Board of Chiropractic Examination exam. 645 IAC 41.2.

**Michigan:** Michigan requires applicants to pass Parts I, II, III, and IV of the National Board of Chiropractic Examination test and adopts the test's recommended passing score. MICH. ADMIN. CODE R. 338.12003 and 338.12005.

**Minnesota:** The prerequisites for licensure in Minnesota include passing the National Board of Chiropractic Examiner's test: Parts I and II, the Written Clinical Competency Examination, and the Physiotherapy Examination. Applicants must also pass the NBCE Part IV and an exam on jurisprudence/ethics. Minn. R. 2500.0720.

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

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2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

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3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
  - Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
  - Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
  - Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
  - Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
  - Other, describe:
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4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

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5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

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6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes     No
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