Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : CR 17-091

PHYSICAL THERAPY : EXAMINING BOARD :

I. THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule, including the analysis and text, is attached.

II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:

N/A

III. FISCAL ESTIMATE AND EIA:

The Fiscal Estimate and EIA is attached.

IV. DETAILED STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BASIS AND PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE, INCLUDING HOW THE PROPOSED RULE ADVANCES RELEVANT STATUTORY GOALS OR PURPOSES:

The Physical Therapy Examining Board conducted a comprehensive evaluation and update of chs. PT 2 and 9 to ensure the rules are consistent with current professional, academic, and licensing and renewal practices and applicable Wisconsin statutes. As a result, the following updates have been made:

- Section PT 2.01(2) is revised to clarify how the Board determines if an applicant is required to complete an oral examination.
- Section PT 2.03 is revised to clarify the Board's requirements for reexamination only apply to the statutes and rules examination it administers.
- Section PT 9.04 (2) is revised to specify that, in order to be approved, a continuing education activity must integrally relate to the practice of physical therapy.
- Section PT 9.05 is revised to comply with s. 440.03 (4m), Stats., as created by 2017 Wisconsin Act 59. Under this provision, the Board may require a credential holder to submit proof of completing continuing education programs or courses only if a complaint is made against the credential holder.
- Other provisions throughout chs. PT 2 and 9 have been revised to remove outdated notes, provide clarity, and conform to current drafting standards.

V. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND THE BOARD'S RESPONSES, EXPLANATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED RULES PROMPTED BY PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Physical Therapy Examining Board held a public hearing on January 5, 2018. The Board did not receive any written or verbal comments.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

All Legislative Council recommendations have been incorporated into the proposed rule.

VII. REPORT FROM THE SBRRB AND FINAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS:

N/A