

**Report From Agency**

**STATE OF WISCONSIN  
HEARING AND SPEECH EXAMINING BOARD**

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**IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING :  
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE  
HEARING AND SPEECH : CR 22-058  
EXAMINING BOARD :**

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**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 objective of the rule is to provide greater clarity for hearing instrument specialists, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and temporary licensees regarding the practice of telehealth. The Board completed a comprehensive review of chs. HAS 5 and 6 to ensure that the rules are current with standards of practice and consistent with the FDA Reauthorization Act of 2017 (FDARA) regarding Over-the-Counter (OTC) hearing aids.

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

The Hearing and Speech Examining Board held a public hearing on October 10, 2022. No public comments were received.

**VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

All recommendations suggested in the Clearinghouse Report have been accepted in whole.

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

N/A