

Report From Agency

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING :
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD : CR 23-064**

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 Board is updating its Administrative Code chapters to bring them into alignment with 2021 Wisconsin Act 131, which establishes Wisconsin as a member of the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact or PSYPACT. In order to bring the chapters into compliance, the Board is adding definitions of “E.Passport”, “IPC or Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate”, and “telepsychology”; creating a provision that applicants seeking initial licensure as a psychologist or interim psychologist will need to be fingerprinted; and establishing the requirements to hold an active IPC for temporary practice and an E.Passport to practice telepsychology.

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

The Psychology Examining Board held a public hearing on January 17, 2024. A public comment was received from Dr. Bruce Erdmann from the Wisconsin Psychological Association (WPA). Dr Erdmann expressed his concern about the titling of the project because it states Psy 1 to 6, and the Administrative Code does not have a chapter 6. He also stated that WPA is in support of the changes. The Board clarified that initially they were considering creating a new chapter (Psy 6) to contain the PSYPACT provisions. However, after discussing the drafting of the rule, the Board decided that the creation of a new chapter was not needed and amended the current chapters as necessary.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

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

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