## Wisconsin Legislative Council

## ACT MEMO

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## **2021 Wisconsin Act 100** [2021 Senate Bill 300]

## Registration of Pharmacy Technicians

2021 Wisconsin Act 100 requires a pharmacy technician to register with the Pharmacy Examining Board before the technician may practice as a pharmacy technician or use the title "pharmacy technician" or "pharmacy tech." The registration is valid for two years.

The act requires the Pharmacy Examining Board to accept the registration of an applicant who is at least 18 years old (or is in a youth apprenticeship program for pharmacy technicians), has graduated from high school or attained an equivalency, submits a form with the applicant's home address and employer's information, if employed, and submits the required fee.

While the registration is pending, an applicant may practice under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist.

Once registered, the act requires a pharmacy technician to notify the Department of Safety and Professional Services of any change of address or employer within 10 days of the change.

The act requires the Pharmacy Examining Board to define the activities that constitute the practice of a pharmacy technician and authorizes the board to promulgate administrative rules for the oversight of that practice. The act also grants emergency rulemaking authority to the board to implement the provisions of the act without making a finding of emergency, and allows the emergency rules to remain in effect until May 1, 2024, or the date on which permanent rules take effect, whichever is sooner.

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