

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber* 447.05 and 455.06; and *to create* 440.033, 447.05 (2), 448.07
2 (1m), 448.55 (4), 450.08 (3), 455.06 (2) and 457.20 (5) of the statutes; **relating to:**
3 collecting workforce survey information from health care providers.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This bill was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Special Committee on Health Care Access.

Current law requires the board of nursing to require each applicant for renewal of a credential to complete a workforce survey developed by the department of workforce development. The board may not renew a credential unless the renewal applicant has completed the nursing workforce survey to the satisfaction of the board. In addition, current law requires each applicant for renewal to pay a nursing workforce survey fee of \$4.

This bill creates similar statutes with respect to workforce surveys of persons seeking renewal of a license as a dentist, dental hygienist, physician, psychologist, physical therapist, physician assistant, pharmacist, or clinical social worker. The survey is to be developed jointly by the department of regulation and licensing, the department of health services, and the department of workforce development. However, the bill does not include a workforce survey fee.

4 **SECTION 1.** 440.033 of the statutes is created to read:

5 **440.033 Health care provider workforce survey. (1) DEFINITION.** In this section,
6 “health care provider” means a dentist or dental hygienist licensed under s. 447.04, a physician
7 or physician assistant licensed under s. 448.04, a physical therapist licensed under s. 448.51,
8 a pharmacist licensed under s. 450.03, a psychologist licensed under s. 455.02 (1), and a
9 clinical social worker licensed under s. 457.08 (4).

1 **(2) SURVEY FORM.** The department, the department of health services, and the
2 department of workforce development jointly shall develop, and revise as those agencies
3 deem appropriate, one or more survey forms to gather data under ss. 447.05 (2), 448.07 (1m),
4 and 450.08 (3). The form shall be used to assist the department of workforce development
5 in evaluating the supply of, demand for, and turnover among health care providers in this state
6 and whether there are regional shortages of health care providers, shortages of health care
7 providers in any specialty areas, or impediments to entering a health care provider profession
8 in this state, and shall be used to assist the department of health services in identifying health
9 professional shortage areas in this state.

10 **(3) SURVEY RESULTS.** (a) The department, the dentistry examining board, the medical
11 examining board, the physical therapy examining board, the pharmacy examining board, the
12 psychology examining board, and the marriage and family therapy, professional counseling,
13 and social work examining board shall share the results of the survey with the department of
14 health services and the department of workforce development.

15 (b) Every 2 years, the department shall compile, process, and evaluate the survey results
16 and submit a report of its findings to the speaker of the assembly and the president of the senate
17 under s. 13.172 (3) and to the governor.

18 **SECTION 2.** 447.05 of the statutes is renumbered 447.05 (1).

19 **SECTION 3.** 447.05 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

20 447.05 (2) (a) The examining board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a
21 license as a dentist or dental hygienist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and
22 submit to the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey
23 developed under s. 440.033 (2).

1 (b) The examining board may not renew a license of a dentist or dental hygienist unless
2 the renewal applicant has completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the examining
3 board. The examining board shall establish standards to determine whether the survey has
4 been completed.

5 **SECTION 4.** 448.07 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

6 448.07 (1m) (a) The board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a license as
7 a physician or physician assistant, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and
8 submit to the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey
9 developed under s. 440.033 (2).

10 (b) The board may not renew a license of a physician or physician assistant unless the
11 renewal applicant has completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the board. The
12 board shall establish standards to determine whether the survey has been completed.

13 **SECTION 5.** 448.55 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

14 448.55 (4) (a) The examining board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a
15 license as a physical therapist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and submit
16 to the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey developed
17 under s. 440.033 (2).

18 (b) The examining board may not renew a license of a physical therapist unless the
19 renewal applicant has completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the examining
20 board. The examining board shall establish standards to determine whether the survey has
21 been completed.

22 **SECTION 6.** 450.08 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

23 450.08 (3) (a) The board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a license as a
24 pharmacist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and submit to the department

1 with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey developed under s. 440.033
2 (2).

3 (b) The board may not renew a license of a pharmacist unless the renewal applicant has
4 completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the board. The board shall establish
5 standards to determine whether the survey has been completed.

6 **SECTION 7.** 455.06 of the statutes is renumbered 455.06 (1).

7 **SECTION 8.** 455.06 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

8 455.06 (2) (a) The examining board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a
9 license as a psychologist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and submit to
10 the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey developed
11 under s. 440.033 (2).

12 (b) The examining board may not renew a license of a psychologist unless the renewal
13 applicant has completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the examining board. The
14 examining board shall establish standards to determine whether the survey has been
15 completed.

16 **SECTION 9.** 457.20 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

17 457.20 (5) (a) The examining board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a
18 license as a clinical social worker, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and
19 submit to the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey
20 developed under s. 440.033 (2).

21 (b) The examining board may not renew a license of a clinical social worker unless the
22 renewal applicant has completed the workforce survey to the satisfaction of the examining

1 board. The examining board shall establish standards to determine whether the survey has
2 been completed.

3 (END)