

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber* 447.05; and *to create* 440.033, 447.05 (2), 448.07 (1m) and
2 450.08 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:** collecting workforce survey information from
3 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, physician assistant, or pharmacist. 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, and a pharmacist licensed under s. 450.03.

8 **(2) SURVEY FORM.** The department, the department of health services, and the
9 department of workforce development jointly shall develop, and revise as those agencies
10 deem appropriate, one or more survey forms to gather data under ss. 447.05 (2), 448.07 (1m),
11 and 450.08 (3). The form shall be used to assist the department of workforce development

1 in evaluating the supply of, demand for, and turnover among health care providers in this state
2 and whether there are regional shortages of health care providers, shortages of health care
3 providers in any specialty areas, or impediments to entering a health care provider profession
4 in this state, and shall be used to assist the department of health services in identifying health
5 professional shortage areas in this state.

6 **(3) SURVEY RESULTS.** (a) The department, the dentistry examining board, the medical
7 examining board, and the pharmacy examining board shall share the results of the survey with
8 the department of health services and the department of workforce development.

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

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

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

14 447.05 (2) (a) The examining board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a
15 license as a dentist or dental hygienist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and
16 submit to the department with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey
17 developed under s. 440.033 (2).

18 (b) The examining board may not renew a license of a dentist or dental hygienist unless
19 the 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 4.** 448.07 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

23 448.07 (1m) (a) The board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a license as
24 a physician or physician assistant, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and

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

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

6 **SECTION 5.** 450.08 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

7 450.08 (3) (a) The board shall require each applicant for the renewal of a license as a
8 pharmacist, as a condition for renewing the license, to complete and submit to the department
9 with the application for renewal of the license a workforce survey developed under s. 440.033
10 (2).

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

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15 (END)