SReport From Agency

TATE OF WISCONSIN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY, PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND SOCIAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING:

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY: CR 13-118

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND : SOCIAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD :

I. THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule, including the analysis and text, is attached.

II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:

None

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 purpose of the rule is to consolidate and conform the definition of psychotherapy to one definition which matches the statute.

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

The Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board held a public hearing on February 4, 2014. No one provided public testimony nor submitted written comments.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Comment: The agency might consider amending s. MPSW 1.02(2m) to reference s. 457.01 (8m), Stats., rather than repeating the statutory language of s. 457.01 (8m), Stats.

Response: Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board rejects the comment. The position of the board is that stakeholders are

provided notice of the definition in a clearer manner when it is repeated rather than providing a reference.

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

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

None. This rule does not affect small business.