Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN RADIOGRAPHY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING:

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

RADIOGRAPHY EXAMINING : CR 16-091

BOARD :

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 proposed rules reflect the provisions of 2015 Wisconsin Act 375, which grants qualified physical therapists the authority to order X-rays. Current rules provide the scope of practice for radiographers involves the production of images for the interpretation by, or at the request of, a licensed independent practitioner. "Licensed independent practitioner" as defined in current rules does not include a physical therapist. The proposed rules amend the definition of "licensed independent practitioner" to include a physical therapist who is licensed under s. 448.53, Stats., and satisfies one of the qualifications under s. 448.56 (7) (a), Stats.

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

The Radiography Examining Board held a public hearing on March 1, 2017. The Board did not receive any written or verbal comments.

Marcus Kip Schick, representing the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association, registered in favor of the proposed rules.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

All Legislative Council recommendations have been incorporated into the proposed rules.

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