Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN RADIOGRAPHY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING:

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

RADIOGRAPHY EXAMINING : CR 19-084

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 scope of practice standards for radiographers and limited X-ray machine operators in current rules are a reproduction of the standards for scope of practice established by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) in 2016. ASRT periodically updates its standards, most recently in 2017. The proposed rule updates the scope of practice standards in ss. RAD 4.01 and 4.02 to be a reproduction of the standards for scope of practice established by the ASRT in 2017.

The proposed rule also updates the definitions in s. RAD 1.02 as follows:

- A definition of "As Low As Reasonably Achievable" or "ALARA" is created. The
 meaning given this term in s. RAD 1.02 (1m) is the same as in the 2017 ASRT
 standards for scope of practice (Glossary, Practice Standards for Medical Imaging
 and Radiation Therapy, 2017 American Society of Radiologic Technologists). The
 notes in ss. RAD 4.01 (2) and 4.02 (2) referencing the ASRT definition are repealed.
- A definition of "licensed practitioner" replaces a definition of "licensed independent practitioner" to reflect a change of terminology in ch. RAD 4 and the 2017 ASRT scope of practice standards.
- 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 July 31, 2019. The Board received written comments and testimony in support of the proposed rules from Sandra Helinski, on behalf of the Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists.

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:

N/A