



## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 672

November 9, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives BALDUS and BOYLE, cosponsored by Senator CLAUSING. Referred to Committee on Consumer Affairs.

- 1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 457.08 (1) (b); and *to create* 457.08 (1) (b) 2.  
2 of the statutes; **relating to:** education requirements for social workers.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, no person may use the title "social worker" unless the person is certified as a social worker by the examining board of social workers, marriage and family therapists and professional counselors (examining board). To be certified as a social worker by the examining board, a person must meet certain education and examination requirements. To meet the education requirement, a person must submit evidence satisfactory to the examining board that he or she has received either: 1) a bachelor's or master's degree in social work from a program accredited by, or a preaccreditation program of, the council on social work education; or 2) a doctorate degree in social work. To meet the examination requirement, the person must pass an examination approved by the examining board to determine the person's minimum competence to practice as a social worker.

This bill provides that a person may meet the education requirement for certification as a social worker by submitting evidence satisfactory to the examining board that he or she has received at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education in a human service discipline.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 457.08 (1) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 457.08 (1) (b) (intro.)  
4 and amended to read:

