

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

HEARING AND SPEECH EXAMINING BOARD

Rule No.: HAS 1 and 6 to 8

Relating to: Renewal and Reinstatement

Rule Type: Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only): N/A

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of this rule is to review and revise renewal and reinstatement requirements to determine whether they need to be updated to include different requirements that more accurately account for the practice and experience of licensees. Additionally, the Board will review Speech-language Pathologists who hold a credential with the Wisconsin Department of Instruction to determine if it is appropriate for them to have separate renewal and reinstatement requirements for their credential from the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

Wisconsin Administrative Code chapters HAS 1 and 6 to 8 currently include requirements for licensure, renewal and continuing education requirements for Speech-language Pathologists, Audiologists, and Hearing Instrument Specialists. If a licensee completes their renewal within 5 years of expiration of their license, they are required to submit certification of continuing education. However, if a licensee completes a renewal after 5 years or applies for reinstatement, they are required to complete the initial licensure examination for their profession. The alternative to making changes to these Code chapters is that current renewal and reinstatement requirements will continue to apply.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats.: "Each examining board shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession."

Section 459.12 (1), Stats.: "The examining board may make rules not inconsistent with the laws of this state which are necessary to carry out the intent of this chapter."

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

80 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Hearing Instrument Specialists, Audiologists, and Speech-language Pathologists credentialed in Wisconsin.

7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule: None.

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

The proposed rule will have minimal to no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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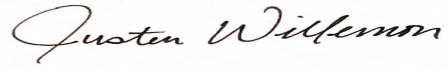


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