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Comments

[<u>NOTE</u>: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the <u>Administrative Rules Procedures Manual</u>, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 2002.]

General Comment

2003 Wisconsin Act 118 imposed new rule-making requirements on certain agencies, including the Department of Workforce Development. In order to facilitate uniform rule-making and rule review processes, the Clearinghouse is recommending that uniform headings be used in the analysis of rules submitted by those agencies. The attached memorandum identifies the uniform headings the Clearinghouse is recommending.

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

In s. DWD 272.12 (2) (g) 6., the title of the provision should be shown even though it is not being amended. [See s. 1.05 (3) (c), Manual.]

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. In s. DWD 272.03 (1) (intro.), and elsewhere in the rule, the quotation marks around the phrase "the effective date of this section...[revisor inserts date]" should be deleted. In addition, in par. (a), and elsewhere throughout the rule, the term "hr." should be replaced by the word "hour."

b. In s. DWD 272.03 (3) (a) 1., a "\$" should be inserted immediately before "45.60."

c. In s. DWD 272.05 (1) and (2), because the term "minor" is defined in the current rule as anyone under the age of 18, the use of the phrase "17 years of age and under" to modify the term "minors" is redundant and can be deleted.