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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 11-018

Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 2008.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. The introductory clause of the rule, under “Order” should read as follows: “Order of the Department of Regulation and Licensing to create chapters RL 200 to 202, relating to sign language interpreters.

b. It appears that the provisions of newly created chs. RL 200 to 202 could be contained in one chapter regarding sign language interpreters. Whether the chapters are combined or not, the titles of the chapter or chapters should make clear that the chapters relate to sign language interpreters. In addition, the titles should be shown in the text of the rule, rather than in the treatment clause. For example, SECTION 1 should read as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter RL 200 is created to read:

CHAPTER RL 200

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS; AUTHORITY AND DEFINITIONS

c. Section RL 200.02 should include definitions of “council” and “department”.

d. In s. RL 202.02 (2), “(I)” should be replaced with “(L)”.

4. Adequacy of References to Related Statutes, Rules and Forms

a. In the analysis, under “Plain language analysis”, in the sentences describing s. RL 201.01 (4), (5), and (8), “subs.” should be replaced with “sub.”

b. In the analysis, in the second paragraph describing Illinois law, “Subections” should be replaced with “Subsections”. Also, the citation to 440.032 (2) (b) 1.-5. should be preceded with “s.” instead of “ss.” and the hyphen should be replaced with “to”.

c. In s. RL 200.01, the hyphen between “200” and “202” should be replaced with “to”. This comment also applies to s. RL 200.02 (intro.).

d. In s. RL 202.01 (intro.), a period should be inserted after subdivision “2”.

e. In s. RL 202.01 (2), should the citation to s. 440.032 (2) (c) 2., Stats., be to s. 440.032 (3), Stats., instead?

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

a. In s. RL 200.01, “ss.” should be replaced with “s.” and the second instance of “440.032” should be deleted.

b. In s. RL 200.02 (4), a comma should be inserted after “foster child”.

c. In s. RL 201.01 (intro.), “any of the following” should be inserted at the end of the sentence.

d. In s. RL 201.01 (13), a comma should be inserted after “formal instruction or language”.

e. In s. RL 201.01 (15), “with the conflict of interest” should be replaced with “regardless of the conflict of interest”.

f. In s. RL 201.01 (20), “or” should be inserted before “personal opinions”.

g. In s. RL 202.01 (intro.), “two” should be replaced with “the following”.

h. In s. RL 202.02 (1), “Council” should not be capitalized. This comment applies throughout the rule. In addition, in s. RL 200.01, “Sign Language Interpreters Council” should be lower case.

i. In s. RL 202.02 (2) (d), “setting(s)” should be replaced with “setting”. That will include the singular and the plural. This comment also applies to sub. (3) (d).

j. In s. RL 202.02 (2) (f), a comma should be inserted after “when”.

k. In s. RL 202.02 (2) (h), “deaf/blind” should be replaced with “deaf-blind”. This comment also applies to sub. (3) (h).

l. Note that there are two subsections in s. RL 202.02 that are numbered (3). The second one should be numbered (4). In the second sub. (3) (intro.), “any of” should be inserted before “the following”. Also, the sentence should end with a colon.