



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 39
[2017 Senate Bill 100]

**Expiration of Scope Statements in
Administrative Rulemaking**

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Under ch. 227, Stats., an agency begins the administrative rule promulgation process with preparation of a scope statement, which contains certain information about the agency's plans to promulgate the rule.

The Act specifies that a scope statement expires 30 months after its publication in the Administrative Register, and that an agency must submit a proposed rule to the Legislature before the scope statement expires. For revised scope statements, the Act specifies that the statement expires 30 months after publication of the revised statement. Under the Act, a proposed rule is deemed withdrawn by the agency if the rule has not been submitted to the Legislature prior to expiration of the scope statement.

Effective Date and Initial Applicability: Generally, the Act takes effect on August 4, 2017, and applies to scope statements published in the Administrative Register on or after that date. The Act specifies that scope statements in existence prior to the Act's effective date will expire 30 months after the Act takes effect.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.