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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 07-37

Comments

[NOTE: 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 January 2005.]

2.   *Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code*

a.   The agency should follow the format for the rule preface described in s. 1.02 (2), Manual.   If no information is included under a heading, the agency should note that under the heading.

b.   The initial applicability section should be placed before the effective date section.   [s. 1.02 (3m), Manual.]

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

In the rule preface, under the section titled "Business Impact" on page 6, "s. 227.114 (1), Stats.," should replace "s. 227.114 (1) (a), Stats."

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

a.   Throughout the rule preface, proposed rule, and business impact analysis, commas are misplaced and used inconsistently.   The use of commas in proposed rules should adhere to the same rules for the use of commas in legislation.   [s. 1.01 (1), Manual.]

b.   In the rule preface, "general purpose revenue (GPR)" should replace "GPR" on line 2 of the last paragraph on page 4.

c.   In the rule preface, "GPR" should replace "general tax dollars (GPR)" in the second paragraph on page 5.

d. In the rule preface, "fiscal year (FY)" should replace "FY" on line 2 of the first paragraph on page 5.

e. In SECTION 5, the comma after "$250,000" in s. ATCP 70.03 (2m) (b) is not present in the current text and should either be removed or underlined in the proposed rule. Also, this provision should conclude with a period.

f. In SECTION 12, "processes" in s. ATCP 75.02 (4) (b) 2. is "process" in the current text. In the rule, "~~process~~ processes" should replace "processes."

g. In SECTION 12, "process" in s. ATCP 75.02 (4) (b) 3. is "processes" in the current. In the rule, "~~processes~~ process" should replace "process."

h. In SECTION 18, "cent" in s. ATCP 80.04 (5) (b) is "cents" in the current text. In the rule, "cents" should replace "cent."

i. In SECTION 19, "an annual license fee" in s. ATCP 81.02 (3) is "a license fee" in the current text. In the rule, "a license fee" should replace "an annual license fee."

j. In the business impact analysis, "(PR)" in the third paragraph on page 2 should be deleted. The acronym is not used again in the business impact analysis.

k. In the business impact analysis, "general purpose revenue (GPR)" should replace "general tax dollars (GPR)" in the third paragraph on page 2.