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This cover sheet, the final request sheet, and the final version of the 2007 draft were copied on yellow paper, and returned to the original 2007 drafting file.

The attached 2007 draft was incorporated into the new 2007 draft listed above. For research purposes, this cover sheet and the complete drafting file were transferred, as a separate appendix, to the 2007 drafting file. If introduced this section will be scanned and added, as a separate appendix, to the electronic drafting file folder.

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- **551.301 Securities registration requirement.** It is unlawful for a person to offer or sell a security in this state unless any of the following apply:
 - (1) The security is a federal covered security.
- (2) The security, transaction, or offer is exempted from registration under this chapter.
 - (3) The security is registered under this chapter.
- 551.302 Notice filing. (1) REQUIRED FILING OF RECORDS. With respect to a federal covered security, as defined in section 18 (b) (2) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 USC 77r (b) (2) as may be amended from time to time), that is not otherwise exempt under ss. 551.201 to 551.203, a rule adopted by the administrator or an order issued under this chapter may require the filing of any or all of the following records:

NOTE: Please see *NOTE following s. 551.103 regarding the phrase "as may be amended from time to time." This phrase here seems inconsistent with s. 551.103. This phrase is not part of the uniform act; is the intent that no other cross-reference of ch. 551 is intended to track changes to federal law, but this one is?

- (a) *Prior to offer.* Not later than the initial offer of the federal covered security in this state, a copy of each document that is part of its registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, which may, at the option of the issuer, be accompanied by a form containing the information specified by the administrator by rule. If a filing is required under this paragraph, the filing shall be accompanied by a consent to service of process signed by the issuer and a notice filing fee under s. 551.614. Any notice filing required under this paragraph is effective upon receipt by the administrator of the documents and fees required under this paragraph, or upon the effectiveness of the registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, whichever is later.
- (b) After offer. After the initial offer of the federal covered security in this state, a copy of each document that is part of an amendment to its registration statement

filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, concurrent with the federal filing, which may, at the option of the issuer, be accompanied by a form containing the information specified by the administrator by rule. If a filing is required under this paragraph and the amendment relates either to a name change of the issuer or a change in the designation of the federal covered security, the filing shall be accompanied by a fee in the amount prescribed by the rule or order requiring the filing. Unless the issuer requests a later effective date, an amendment filing required under this paragraph is effective upon receipt by the administrator of the documents and fees required under this paragraph.

***NOTE: In the first sentence, I have changed the phrase "a federal covered security" to "the federal covered security," which significantly changes the meaning of the provision but I believe is consistent with your intent and is consistent with the uniform act language.

- (c) Unit trust or investment company. For a unit investment trust or closed-end investment company to extend its offering beyond a one-year period, a notice of extension, together with any filing fee prescribed by rule or order, at the time prescribed by rule or order.
- (3) Notice filings for certain federal covered security in the securities. With respect to a security that is a federal covered security under section 18 (b) (4) (D) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 USC 77r (b) (4) (D)), a rule under this chapter may require a notice filing by or on behalf of an issuer to include a copy of Form D, including the Appendix, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and a consent to service of process complying with s. 551.611 signed by the issuer not later than 15 days after the first sale of the federal covered security in this state and the payment of a fee as provided in s. 551.614 or by rule of the administrator; and the payment of a fee as provided in s. 551.614 or by rule of the administrator for any late filing.

(4) Stop orders. Except with respect to a federal covered security under section 18 (b) (1) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 USC 77r (b) (1)), if the administrator finds that there is a failure to comply with a notice or fee requirement of this section, the administrator may issue a stop order suspending the offer and sale of a federal covered security in this state. If the deficiency is corrected, the stop order is void as of the time of its issuance and no penalty may be imposed by the administrator.

****NOTE: In the first line of this subsection, I have changed "federal security" to "federal covered security." While the uniform act states "federal security," I believe this was a mistake and in fact there is definitely another mistake in the same line of the uniform act (which was corrected by the study committee). Please advise if you believe "federal security" is correct.

(5) WAIVER. The administrator may, by rule or order, waive or further condition any waiver of a requirement under this section or under any rule promulgated by the administrator, or order issued, under this section.

****NOTE: I cannot find any statutory provision relating to renewal of, or term of, a notice filing, under this section. Is the intent in omitting par. (b) of the uniform act, related to term of effectiveness of notice filing and renewal of notice filing, that this subject matter will be addressed by rule or that the notice filing is perpetual?

- 551.303 Securities registration by coordination. (1) REGISTRATION PERMITTED. A security for which a registration statement has been filed under the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with the same offering may be registered by coordination under this section.
- (2) REQUIRED RECORDS. A registration statement and accompanying records under this section must contain or be accompanied by all of the following records in addition to the information specified in s. 551.305 and a consent to service of process complying with s. 551.611:
 - (a) A copy of the latest form of prospectus filed under the Securities Act of 1933.
- (b) A copy of the articles of incorporation and bylaws or their substantial equivalents currently in effect; a copy of any agreement with or among underwriters;

a copy of any indenture or other instrument governing the issuance of the security
to be registered; and a specimen, copy, or description of the security that is required
by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.

- (c) Copies of any other information or any other records filed by the issuer under the Securities Act of 1933 requested by the administrator.
- (d) An undertaking to forward each amendment to the federal prospectus, other than an amendment that delays the effective date of the registration statement, promptly after it is filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (3) CONDITIONS FOR EFFECTIVENESS OF REGISTRATION STATEMENT. A registration statement under this section becomes effective simultaneously with or subsequent to the federal registration statement when all the following conditions are satisfied:
- (a) A stop order under sub. (4) or s. 551.306 or issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission is not in effect and a proceeding is not pending against the issuer under s. 551.306.

****NOTE: The Wisconsin study group draft refers to a proceeding under s. 551.306. The uniform act refers to a proceeding under s. 551.412. The study group cross-reference seems to be correct and I have included it here.

- (b) The registration statement has been on file for at least 20 days or a shorter period provided by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (4) Notice of federal registration statement effectiveness. The registrant shall promptly notify the administrator in a record of the date when the federal registration statement becomes effective and the content of any price amendment and shall promptly file a record containing the price amendment. If the notice is not timely received, the administrator may issue a stop order, without prior notice or hearing, retroactively denying effectiveness to the registration statement or suspending its effectiveness until compliance with this section. The administrator

- shall promptly notify the registrant of an order by telecopy, telephone, or electronic means and promptly confirm this notice by a record. If the registrant subsequently complies with the notice requirements of this section, the stop order is void as of the date of its issuance.
- statement becomes effective before each of the conditions in this section is satisfied or is waived by the administrator, the registration statement is automatically effective under this chapter when all the conditions are satisfied or waived. If the registrant notifies the administrator of the date when the federal registration statement is expected to become effective, the administrator shall promptly notify the registrant by telecopy, telephone, or electronic means and promptly confirm this notice by a record, indicating whether all the conditions are satisfied or waived and whether the administrator intends the institution of a proceeding under s. 551.306. The notice by the administrator does not preclude the institution of such a proceeding.
- 551.304 Securities registration by qualification. (1) REGISTRATION PERMITTED. A security may be registered by qualification under this section.
- (2) REQUIRED RECORDS. A registration statement under this section must contain the information or records specified in s. 551.305, a consent to service of process complying with s. 551.611, and, if required by rule adopted under this chapter, any, or any combination of, the following information or records:
- (a) With respect to the issuer and any significant subsidiary, its name, address, and form of organization; the state or foreign jurisdiction and date of its organization; the general character and location of its business; a description of its physical

properties and equipment; and a statement of the general competitive conditions in the industry or business in which it is or will be engaged.

- (b) With respect to each director and officer of the issuer, and other person having a similar status or performing similar functions, the person's name, address, and principal occupation for the previous 5 years; the amount of securities of the issuer held by the person as of the 30th day before the filing of the registration statement; the amount of the securities covered by the registration statement to which the person has indicated an intention to subscribe; and a description of any material interest of the person in any material transaction with the issuer or a significant subsidiary effected within the previous 3 years or proposed to be effected.
- (c) With respect to persons covered by par. (b), the aggregate sum of the remuneration paid to those persons during the previous 12 months and estimated to be paid during the next 12 months, directly or indirectly, by the issuer, and all predecessors, parents, subsidiaries, and affiliates of the issue.
- (d) With respect to a person owning of record or owning beneficially, if known, 10 percent or more of the outstanding shares of any class of equity security of the issuer, the information specified in par. (b) other than the person's occupation.
- (e) With respect to a promoter, if the issuer was organized within the previous 3 years, the information or records specified in par. (b), any amount paid to the promoter within that period or intended to be paid to the promoter, and the consideration for the payment.
- (f) With respect to a person on whose behalf any part of the offering is to be made in a nonissuer distribution, the person's name and address; the amount of securities of the issuer held by the person as of the date of the filing of the registration statement; a description of any material interest of the person in any material

- transaction with the issuer or any significant subsidiary effected within the previous 3 years or proposed to be effected; and a statement of the reasons for making the offering.
- (g) The capitalization and long term debt, on both a current and pro forma basis, of the issuer and any significant subsidiary, including a description of each security outstanding or being registered or otherwise offered, and a statement of the amount and kind of consideration, whether in the form of cash, physical assets, services, patents, goodwill, or anything else of value, for which the issuer or any subsidiary has issued its securities within the previous 2 years or is obligated to issue its securities.
- (h) The kind and amount of securities to be offered; the proposed offering price or the method by which it is to be computed; any variation at which a proportion of the offering is to be made to a person or class of persons other than the underwriters, with a specification of the person or class; the basis on which the offering is to be made if otherwise than for cash; the estimated aggregate underwriting and selling discounts or commissions and finders' fees, including separately cash, securities, contracts, or anything else of value to accrue to the underwriters or finders in connection with the offering or, if the selling discounts or commissions are variable, the basis of determining them and their maximum and minimum amounts; the estimated amounts of other selling expenses, including legal, engineering, and accounting charges; the name and address of each underwriter and each recipient of a finder's fee; a copy of any underwriting or selling group agreement under which the distribution is to be made or the proposed form of any such agreement whose terms have not yet been determined; and a description of the plan of distribution of any securities that are to be offered otherwise than through an underwriter.

- (i) The estimated monetary proceeds to be received by the issuer from the offering; the purposes for which the proceeds are to be used by the issuer; the estimated amount to be used for each purpose; the order or priority in which the proceeds will be used for the purposes stated; the amounts of any funds to be raised from other sources to achieve the purposes stated; the sources of the funds; and, if a part of the proceeds is to be used to acquire property, including goodwill, otherwise than in the ordinary course of business, the names and addresses of the vendors, the purchase price, the names of any persons that have received commissions in connection with the acquisition, and the amounts of the commissions and other expenses in connection with the acquisition, including the cost of borrowing money to finance the acquisition.
- (j) A description of any stock options or other security options outstanding, or to be created in connection with the offering, and the amount of those options held or to be held by each person required to be named in par. (b), (d), (e), (f), or (h) and by any person that holds or will hold 10 percent or more in the aggregate of those options.
- (k) The dates of, parties to, and general effect concisely stated of each managerial or other material contract made or to be made otherwise than in the ordinary course of business to be performed in whole or in part at or after the filing of the registration statement or that was made within the previous 2 years, and a copy of the contract.
- (L) A description of any pending litigation, action, or proceeding to which the issuer is a party and that materially affects its business or assets, and any litigation, action, or proceeding known to be contemplated by governmental authorities.

- (m) A copy of any prospectus, pamphlet, circular, form letter, advertisement, or other sales literature intended as of the effective date to be used in connection with the offering and any solicitation of interest used in compliance with s. 551.202 (17) (b).
- (n) A specimen or copy of the security being registered, unless the security is uncertificated; a copy of the issuer's articles of incorporation and bylaws or their substantial equivalents, in effect; and a copy of any indenture or other instrument covering the security to be registered.
- (o) A signed or conformed copy of an opinion of counsel concerning the legality of the security being registered, with an English translation if it is in a language other than English, which states whether the security when sold will be validly issued, fully paid, and nonassessable and, if a debt security, a binding obligation of the issuer.
- (p) A signed or conformed copy of a consent of any accountant, engineer, appraiser, or other person whose profession gives authority for a statement made by the person, if the person is named as having prepared or certified a report or valuation, other than an official record, that is public, which is used in connection with the registration statement.
- (q) A balance sheet of the issuer as of a date within 4 months before the filing of the registration statement; a statement of income and a statement of cash flows for each of the 3 fiscal years preceding the date of the balance sheet and for any period between the close of the immediately previous fiscal year and the date of the balance sheet, or for the period of the issuer's and any predecessor's existence if less than 3 years; and, if any part of the proceeds of the offering is to be applied to the purchase

of a business, the financial statements that would be required if that business were the registrant.

- (r) Any additional information or records required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter, including, without limitation, a report by accountants, engineers, appraisers, or another professional person as deemed necessary by the administrator.
- (3) CONDITIONS FOR EFFECTIVENESS OF REGISTRATION STATEMENT. A registration statement under this section becomes effective 30 days, or any shorter period provided by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter, after the date the registration statement or the last amendment other than a price amendment is filed, if all of the following apply:
 - (a) A stop order is not in effect and a proceeding is not pending under s. 551.306.
 - (b) The administrator has not issued an order under s. 551.306
 - $(c) \ \ The applicant \ or \ registrant \ has \ not \ requested \ that \ effectiveness \ be \ delayed.$
- (4) Delay of effectiveness of registration statement. The administrator may delay effectiveness once for not more than 90 days if the administrator determines and notifies via comment letter or other letter that the registration statement is not complete in all material respects and promptly notifies the applicant or registrant of that determination, which may be by means of a comment letter or correspondence and not an order. The administrator may also further delay effectiveness for a further period of not more than 30 days if the administrator determines that the delay is necessary or appropriate.
- (5) PROSPECTUS DISTRIBUTION MAY BE REQUIRED. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require as a condition of registration under this section that a prospectus containing a specified part of the information or record specified in sub.

- (2) be sent or given to each person to which an offer is made, before or concurrently, with the earliest of the following:
 - (a) The first offer made in a record to the person otherwise than by means of a public advertisement, by or for the account of the issuer or another person on whose behalf the offering is being made or by an underwriter or broker-dealer that is offering part of an unsold allotment or subscription taken by the person as a participant in the distribution.
 - (b) The confirmation of a sale made by or for the account of the person.
 - (c) Payment pursuant to such a sale.
 - (d) Delivery of the security pursuant to such a sale.
 - **551.305** Securities registration filings. (1) Who May file. A registration statement may be filed by the issuer, a person on whose behalf the offering is to be made, or a broker-dealer registered under this chapter.
 - (2) FILING FEE. A person filing a registration statement shall pay a filing fee as provided in s. 551.614 or, as may be supplemented, by rule of the administrator. If a registration statement is withdrawn before the effective date or a preeffective stop order is issued under s. 551.306, the administrator shall retain the fee as provided in s. 551.614 or, as may be supplemented, by rule of the administrator.

****NOTE: It's not clear to me what "as may be supplemented" (which is not in the uniform act) means.

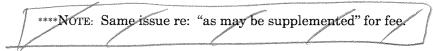
- (3) STATUS OF OFFERING. A registration statement filed under s. 551.303 or 551.304 must specify all of the following:
 - (a) The amount of securities to be offered in this state.
- (b) The states in which a registration statement or similar record in connection with the offering has been or is to be filed.

- (c) Any adverse order, judgment, or decree issued in connection with the offering by a state securities regulator, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or a court.
- (4) Incorporation by reference. A record filed under this chapter or the predecessor act within 5 years preceding the filing of a registration statement may be incorporated by reference in the registration statement to the extent that the record is currently accurate.
- (5) Nonissuer distribution. In the case of a nonissuer distribution, information or a record may not be required under sub. (9) or s. 551.304, unless it is known to the person filing the registration statement or to the person on whose behalf the distribution is to be made or unless it can be furnished by those persons without unreasonable effort or expense.

****NOTE: I have inserted what I believe is the correct cross-reference, given the modification in this section from the uniform act.

- (7) FORM OF SUBSCRIPTION. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require as a condition of registration that a security registered under this chapter be sold only on a specified form of subscription or sale contract and that a signed or conformed copy of each contract be filed under this chapter or preserved for a period specified by the rule or order, which may not be longer than 5 years.
- (8) Effective period. Except while a stop order is in effect under s. 551.306, a registration statement is effective for one year after its effective date, or for any longer period designated in an order under this chapter during which the security is being offered or distributed in a nonexempted transaction by or for the account of the issuer or other person on whose behalf the offering is being made or by an underwriter or broker-dealer that is still offering part of an unsold allotment or

- subscription taken as a participant in the distribution. For the purposes of a nonissuer transaction, all outstanding securities of the same class identified in the registration statement as a security registered under this chapter are considered to be registered while the registration statement is effective. If any securities of the same class are outstanding, a registration statement may not be withdrawn until one year after its effective date. A registration statement may be withdrawn only with the approval of the administrator.
- (9) Periodic reports. While a registration statement is effective, a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require the person that filed the registration statement to file reports, not more often than quarterly, to keep the information or other record in the registration statement reasonably current and to disclose the progress of the offering.
- after its effective date. The posteffective amendment becomes effective when the administrator so orders. If a posteffective amendment is made to increase the number of securities specified to be offered or sold, the person filing the amendment shall pay a registration fee as provided in s. 551.614 or, as may be supplemented by rule of the administrator. A posteffective amendment relates back to the date of the offering of the additional securities being registered if, within one year after the date of the sale, the amendment is filed and the additional registration fee is paid.



(11) INDENTURES. The administrator may by rule require that securities be issued under a trust indenture, unless this requirement is waived by the administrator.

***Note: Do you want to add a provision in this section similar to s. 551.27 (13) under current law?

551.306 Denial, suspension, and revocation of securities registration.

- (1) STOP ORDERS. The administrator may issue a stop order denying effectiveness to, or suspending or revoking the effectiveness of, a registration statement if the administrator finds that the order is in the public interest and that any of the following apply:
- (a) The registration statement as of its effective date or before the effective date in the case of an order denying effectiveness, an amendment under s. 551.305 (10) as of its effective date, or a report under s. 551.305 (9), is incomplete in a material respect or contains a statement that, in the light of the circumstances under which it was made, was false or misleading with respect to a material fact.

****NOTE: My renumbering changes to the bill have corrected what I believe was a mistaken cross-reference in the Wisconsin study group draft (given modifications in the study group draft to s. 551,305). Please let me know if you believe the study group cross-reference was correct, considering those modifications.

- (b) This chapter or a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter or a condition imposed under this chapter has been willfully violated, in connection with the offering, by the person filing the registration statement; by the issuer, a partner, officer, or director of the issuer or a person having a similar status or performing a similar function; a promoter of the issuer; or a person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by the issuer; but only if the person filing the registration statement is directly or indirectly controlled by or acting for the issuer; or by an underwriter.
- (c) The security registered or sought to be registered is the subject of a permanent or temporary injunction of a court of competent jurisdiction or an administrative stop order or similar order issued under any federal, foreign, or state

- law other than this chapter applicable to the offering, but the administrator may not institute a proceeding against an effective registration statement under this paragraph more than one year after the date of the order or injunction on which it is based, and the administrator may not issue an order under this paragraph on the basis of an order or injunction issued under the securities act of another state unless the order or injunction was based on conduct that would constitute, as of the date of the order, a ground for a stop order under this section.
- (d) The issuer's enterprise or method of business includes or would include activities that are unlawful where performed.
- (e) With respect to a security sought to be registered under s. 551.303, there has been a failure to comply with the undertaking required by s. 551.303 (2) (d).
- (f) The applicant or registrant has not paid the filing fee, but the administrator shall void the order if the deficiency is corrected.
- (g) The offering will work or tend to work a fraud upon purchasers or would so operate.
- (3) Institution of stop order. The administrator may not institute a stop order proceeding against an effective registration statement on the basis of conduct or a transaction known to the administrator when the registration statement became effective unless the proceeding is instituted within 30 days after the registration statement became effective.
- (4) Summary process. The administrator may summarily revoke, deny, postpone, or suspend the effectiveness of a registration statement pending final determination of an administrative proceeding. Upon the issuance of the order, the administrator shall promptly notify each person specified in sub. (5) that the order has been issued, the reasons for the revocation, denial, postponement, or suspension,

and that within 10 days after the receipt of a request in a record from the person the
matter will be scheduled for a hearing. If a hearing is not requested and none is
ordered by the administrator, within 30 days after the date of service of the order, the
order becomes final. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the administrator, after
notice of and opportunity for hearing for each person subject to the order, may modify
or vacate the order or extend the order until final determination.

- (5) PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR STOP ORDER. A stop order may not be issued under this chapter without all of the following:
- (a) Appropriate notice to the applicant or registrant, the issuer, and the person on whose behalf the securities are to be or have been offered.
 - (b) An opportunity for hearing.
 - (c) Findings of fact and conclusions of law in a record in accordance with ch. 227.
- (6) Modification or vacation of stop order. The administrator may modify or vacate a stop order issued under this section if the administrator finds that the conditions that caused its issuance have changed or that it is necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors.
- **551.307 Waiver and modification.** The administrator may waive or modify, in whole or in part, any or all of the requirements of ss. 551.302, 551.303, and 551.304 (2) or the requirement of any information or record in a registration statement or in a periodic report filed pursuant to s. 551.305 (9).

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SUBCHAPTER IV

BROKER-DEALERS, AGENTS,

INVESTMENT ADVISERS, INVESTMENT

1 ADVISER REPRESENTATIVES, AND 2 FEDERAL COVERED INVESTMENT ADVISERS 3 551.401 Broker-dealer registration requirement and exemptions. (1) 4 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT. It is unlawful for a person to transact business in this 5 state as a broker-dealer unless the person is registered under this chapter as a 6 broker-dealer or is exempt from registration as a broker-dealer under sub. (2) or (4). 7 (2) EXEMPTIONS FROM REGISTRATION. A broker-dealer is exempt from the 8 registration requirement of sub. (1) if its only transactions effected in this state are 9 with the following: 10 (a) The issuer of the securities involved in the transactions. 11 (b) A broker-dealer registered as a broker-dealer under this chapter or not 12 required to be registered as a broker-dealer under this chapter. 13 (c) Institutional investors. 14 (cm) Accredited investors as defined in Rule 501 (a) (1), (2), (3), (7) or (8) adopted 15 under the Securities Act of 1933. ***NOTE: I have separated these two provisions to clarify that the SEC rule is defining only accredited investors (and only the entity type accredited investors). (d) A nonaffiliated federal covered investment adviser with investments under 16 17 management in excess of \$100,000,000 acting for the account of others pursuant to 18 discretionary authority in a signed record. (e) A bona fide preexisting customer whose principal place of residence is not 19 20 in this state and the person is registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities 21 Exchange Act of 1934 or not required to be registered under the Securities Exchange 22 Act of 1934 and is registered under the securities act of the state in which the

customer maintains a principal place of residence.

****NOTE: I have not changed this language from the uniform act, but it could probably be made significantly less ambiguous with a few minor modifications.

- (f) A bona fide preexisting customer whose principal place of residence is in this state but was not present in this state when the customer relationship was established, if all of the following apply:
- 1. The broker-dealer is registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or not required to be registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is registered under the securities laws of the state in which the customer relationship was established and where the customer had maintained a principal place of residence.
- 2. Within 45 days after the customer's first transaction in this state, the person files an application for registration as a broker-dealer in this state and a further transaction is not effected more than 75 days after the date on which the application is filed, or, if earlier, the date on which the administrator notifies the person that the administrator has denied the application for registration or has stayed the pendency of the application for good cause; provided the person may effect unsolicited orders to liquidate open positions in existing customer accounts if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly for effecting such transactions.
- (h) Any other person exempted by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.

***NOTE: The WI study group's deletion of what would have been par. (b) under the uniform act leaves only one subunit to this subsection, which is contrary to our drafting conventions. Accordingly, I have revised the introductory phrase and pulled these provisions into a higher statutory unit to accommodate this change from the uniform act.

(3) LIMITS ON EMPLOYMENT OR ASSOCIATION. It is unlawful for a broker-dealer, or for an issuer engaged in offering, offering to purchase, purchasing, or selling securities in this state, directly or indirectly, to employ or associate with an

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individual to engage in an activity related to securities transactions in this state if the registration of the individual is denied or suspended or revoked or the individual is barred from employment or association with a broker-dealer, an issuer, an investment adviser, or a federal covered investment adviser by an order of the administrator under this chapter, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or a self-regulatory organization. A broker-dealer or issuer does not violate this subsection if the broker-dealer or issuer did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of the denial, suspension, revocation, or bar. Upon request from a broker-dealer or issuer and for good cause, an order under this chapter may modify or waive, in whole or in part, the application of the prohibitions of this subsection to the broker-dealer.

- (4) FOREIGN TRANSACTIONS. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may permit any of the following:
- (a) A broker-dealer that is registered in Canada or other foreign jurisdiction and that does not have a place of business in this state to effect transactions in securities with or for, or attempt to effect the purchase or sale of any securities by, any of the following:
- 1. An individual from Canada or other foreign jurisdiction who is temporarily present in this state and with whom the broker-dealer had a bona fide customer relationship before the individual entered the United States.
- 2. An individual from Canada or other foreign jurisdiction who is present in this state and whose transactions are in a self-directed tax advantaged retirement plan of which the individual is the holder or contributor in that foreign jurisdiction.

- 3. An individual who is present in this state, with whom the broker-dealer customer relationship arose while the individual was temporarily or permanently resident in Canada or the other foreign jurisdiction.
- (b) An agent who represents a broker-dealer that is exempt under this subsection to effect transactions in securities or attempt to effect the purchase or sale of securities in this state as permitted for a broker-dealer described in par. (a).
- 551.402 Agent registration requirement and exemptions. (1) REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT. It is unlawful for an individual to transact business in this state as an agent unless the individual is registered under this chapter as an agent or is exempt from registration as an agent under sub. (2).
- (2) EXEMPTIONS FROM REGISTRATION. The following individuals are exempt from the registration requirement of sub. (1):
- (a) An individual who represents a broker-dealer in effecting transactions in this state limited to those described in section 15 (h) (2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h) (2)).

****NOTE: I corrected a slight error in the uniform act's cross-reference to the federal law here. I assume that the SEA cite is right (relating to de minimus transactions) and that the parenthetical cite was slightly off in the uniform act.

- (b) An individual who represents a broker-dealer that is exempt under s. 551.401(2) or (4).
- (c) An individual who represents an issuer with respect to an offer or sale of the issuer's own securities or those of the issuer's parent or any of the issuer's subsidiaries, and who is not compensated in connection with the individual's participation by the payment of commissions or other remuneration based, directly or indirectly, on transactions in those securities.

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(d) An individual who represents an issuer and who effects transactions in the issuer's securities exempted by s. 551.202, other than s. 551.202 (11), (14) or (24).

***NOTE: The WI study group note says that cross-references to two additional provisions are being added, but the text has only one additional cross-reference added.

- (e) An individual who represents an issuer that effects transactions solely in federal covered securities of the issuer, but an individual who effects transactions in a federal covered security under section 18 (b) (3) or 18 (b) (4) (D) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 USC 77r (b) (3) or 77r (b) (4) (D)) is not exempt if the individual is compensated in connection with the agent's participation by the payment of commissions or other remuneration based, directly or indirectly, on transactions in those securities.
- (f) An individual who represents a broker-dealer registered in this state under s. 551.401 (1) or exempt from registration under s. 551.401 (2) in the offer and sale of securities for an account of a nonaffiliated federal covered investment adviser with investments under management in excess of \$100,000,000 acting for the account of others pursuant to discretionary authority in a signed record.
- (g) An individual who represents an issuer in connection with the purchase of the issuer's own securities.
- (h) An individual who represents an issuer or broker-dealer and who restricts participation to performing clerical or ministerial acts.
- (i) Any other individual exempted by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (3) REGISTRATION EFFECTIVE ONLY WHILE EMPLOYED OR ASSOCIATED. The registration of an agent is effective only while the agent is employed by or associated

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- with a broker-dealer registered under this chapter or an issuer that is offering, selling, or purchasing its securities in this state.
- (4) LIMIT ON EMPLOYMENT OR ASSOCIATION. It is unlawful for a broker-dealer, or an issuer engaged in offering, selling, or purchasing securities in this state, to employ or associate with an agent who transacts business in this state on behalf of broker-dealers or issuers unless the agent is registered under sub. (1) for the broker-dealer or issuer or exempt from registration under sub. (2).
- (5) LIMIT ON AFFILIATIONS. Except as permitted under sub. (6), an individual may not act as an agent for more than one broker-dealer or one issuer at a time, unless the broker-dealers or the issuers for which the agent acts are affiliated by direct or indirect common control or are authorized by rule or order under this chapter.

***NOTE: There is a grammatical agreement problem in the second clause of the uniform act language. I have corrected this by using the plural of broker-dealer and issuer.

- (6) DUAL REPRESENTATION. An agent may make offers and sales of securities for more than one issuer that is a limited partnership or for more than one issuer that is an investment company without obtaining a separate registration for each limited partnership or investment company represented by the agent if all of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (a) The limited partnerships have the same general partner or the investment companies have the same investment adviser.
- (b) An application to amend the agent's registration to name each limited partnership or investment company as the agent's employer is filed with and approved by the administrator before the agent makes any offer or sale in the state on behalf of the additional limited partnership or investment company.

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1	551.403 Investment adviser registration requirement and exemptions
2	(1) REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT. It is unlawful for a person to transact business in this
3	state as an investment adviser unless the person is registered under this chapter as
4	an investment adviser or is exempt from registration as an investment adviser under
5	sub. (2).
6	(2) Exemptions from registration. The following persons are exempt from the
7	registration requirement of sub. (1):
8	(a) A person whose only clients in this state are:
9	1. Federal covered investment advisers, investment advisers registered under
10	this chapter, or broker-dealers registered under this chapter.
11	2. Institutional investors.
12	2m. Accredited investors as defined in Rule 501 (a) (1) , (2) , (3) , (7) or (8) adopted
13	under the Securities Act of 1933.
	****Note: I have separated these two provisions to clarify that the SEC rule is defining only accredited investors (and only the entity type accredited investors).
14	3. Bona fide preexisting clients whose principal places of residence are not in
15	this state if the investment adviser is registered or exempt from registration under
16	the securities act of the state in which the clients maintain principal places of
17	residence.
18	4. Any other client exempted by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
19	(b) A person without a place of business in this state if the person has had,
20	during the preceding 12 months, not more than 5 clients that are resident in this
21	state in addition to those specified under par. (a).
22	(c) Any other person exempted by rule adopted or order issued under this

- (3) LIMITS ON EMPLOYMENT OR ASSOCIATION. It is unlawful for an investment adviser, directly or indirectly, to employ or associate with an individual to engage in an activity related to investment advice in this state if the registration of the individual is denied or suspended or revoked or the individual is barred from employment or association with an investment adviser, federal covered investment adviser, or broker-dealer by an order under this chapter, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or a self-regulatory organization, unless the investment adviser did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of the denial, suspension, revocation, or bar. Upon request from the investment adviser and for good cause, the administrator, by order, may waive, in whole or in part, the application of the prohibitions of this subsection to the investment adviser.
- (4) Investment adviser representative registration required. It is unlawful for an investment adviser to employ or associate with an individual required to be registered under this chapter as an investment adviser representative who transacts business in this state on behalf of the investment adviser unless the individual is registered under s. 551.404 (1) or is exempt from registration under s. 551.404 (2).
- 551.404 Investment adviser representative registration requirement and exemptions. (1) Registration requirement. It is unlawful for an individual to transact business in this state as an investment adviser representative unless the individual is registered under this chapter as an investment adviser representative or is exempt from registration as an investment adviser representative under sub. (2).
- (2) EXEMPTIONS FROM REGISTRATION. The following individuals are exempt from the registration requirement of sub. (1):

- (a) An individual who is employed by or associated with an investment adviser that is exempt from registration under s. 551.403 (2) or a federal covered investment adviser that is excluded from the notice filing requirements of s. 551.405.
- (b) Any other individual exempted by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (3) REGISTRATION EFFECTIVE ONLY WHILE EMPLOYED OR ASSOCIATED. The registration of an investment adviser representative is effective only while the investment adviser representative is employed by or associated with an investment adviser registered under this chapter or a federal covered investment adviser that has made or is required to make a notice filing under s. 551.405.
- (4) LIMIT ON AFFILIATIONS. An individual may transact business as an investment adviser representative for more than one investment adviser or federal covered investment adviser unless a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter prohibits or limits an individual from acting as an investment adviser representative for more than one investment adviser or federal covered investment adviser.
- (5) LIMITS ON EMPLOYMENT OR ASSOCIATION. It is unlawful for an individual acting as an investment adviser representative, directly or indirectly, to conduct business in this state on behalf of an investment adviser or a federal covered investment adviser if the registration of the individual as an investment adviser representative is suspended or revoked or the individual is barred from employment or association with an investment adviser or a federal covered investment adviser by an order under this chapter, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or a self-regulatory organization. Upon request and for good cause, the administrator, by order issued, may waive, in whole or in part, the application of the requirements of this subsection.

(6) Referral fees. An investment adviser registered or exempt from registration under this chapter, a federal covered investment adviser that has filed a notice under s. 551.405 or is exempt from such notice filing requirement, or a broker-dealer registered or exempt from registration under this chapter is not required to employ or associate with an individual as an investment adviser representative if the only compensation paid to the individual for a referral of investment advisory clients is paid to an investment adviser registered or exempt from registration under this chapter, a federal covered investment adviser that has filed a notice or is exempt from filing a notice under s. 551.405, or a broker-dealer registered or exempt from registration under this chapter with which the individual is employed or associated as an investment adviser representative.

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551.405 Federal covered investment adviser notice filing requirement.

- (1) NOTICE FILING REQUIREMENT. Except with respect to a federal covered investment adviser described in sub. (2), it is unlawful for a federal covered investment adviser to transact business in this state as a federal covered investment adviser unless the federal covered investment adviser complies with sub. (3).
- (2) Notice filing requirement not required. The following federal covered investment advisers are not required to comply with sub. (3):
- (a) A federal covered investment adviser without a place of business in this state if its only clients in this state are:
- 1. Federal covered investment advisers, investment advisers registered under this chapter, and broker-dealers registered under this chapter.
 - 2. Institutional investors.

1	2m. Accredited investors as defined and listed in 17 CFR 230.501 (a) (1), (2),				
(2)	(3), (7) under Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933.				
	defining only accredited investors (and only the entity type accredited investors). Is there a reason why this language differs from that in s. 551.403 (2) (a) 3. and elsewhere? And is the omission of Rule 501 (a) (8) here intentional?				
3	3. Bona fide preexisting clients whose principal places of residence are not in				
4	this state.				
5	4. Other clients specified by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.				
6	(b) A federal covered investment adviser without a place of business in this				
7	state if the person has had, during the preceding 12 months, not more than 5 clients				
8	that are resident in this state in addition to those specified under par. (a).				
9	(c) Any other person excluded by rule adopted or order issued under this				
10	chapter.				
11	(3) NOTICE FILING PROCEDURE. A person acting as a federal covered investment				
12	adviser, not excluded under sub. (2), shall file a notice, a consent to service of process				
13	complying with s. 551.611, and such records as have been filed with the Securities				
14	and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 required by				
15	rule adopted or order issued under this chapter and pay the fees specified in s.				
16	551.614 (2).				
	draft. This provision corrects a mistaken cross-reference in the study group				
17.	(4) Effectiveness of filing. The notice under sub. (3) becomes effective upon				
18	its filing and expires on December 31 unless any of the following occurs:				
19	(a) The notice filing is renewed.				
	****Note: This provision varies from the uniform act. I can find no other provision in this chapter related to renewal of the notice filing for a federal covered investment adviser, except the fee required under s. 551.614 (2). That is, there seems to be no provision analogous to s. 551.32 (1m) (b) under current law. (This subsection seems to be similar to s. 551.32 (8) under current law.) Is this okay?				

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- (b) The notice filing is limited or extended for not more than 6 months and the notice filer pays a fee, adjusted proportionately by the administrator by rule or order.
 - (c) The administrator specifies a different expiration date by rule or order.

551.406 Registration by broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, and investment adviser representative. (1) APPLICATION FOR INITIAL REGISTRATION. A person shall register as a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative by filing with the administrator, or an organization which the administrator by rule designates, an application and a consent to service of process complying with s. 551.611, and paying the fee specified in s. 551.614 and any reasonable fees charged by the designee of the administrator for processing the filing. The application must contain all of the following:

****NOTE: This provision corrects a mistaken cross-reference in the study group draft.

- (a) The information or record required for the filing of a uniform application.
- (b) Upon request by the administrator, any other financial or other information or record that the administrator determines is appropriate.
- (2) AMENDMENT. If the information or record contained in an application filed under sub. (1) is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in a material respect, the registrant shall promptly file a correcting amendment.
- (3) EFFECTIVENESS OF REGISTRATION. (a) If an order is not in effect and a proceeding is not pending under s. 551.412, registration is effective 30 days from the filing of the application or at the earliest of the following times prior to the expiration of 30 days from the filing of the application, whichever is earlier, unless the registration is denied:
 - 1. The date that the administrator issues registration to the applicant.

- 2. The date that approval of registration status is transmitted by the administrator to the applicant through the central registration depository of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.
- 3. On January 1 for any renewal application filed during December of the preceding year with the central registration depository, unless the administrator makes a written request for additional information relevant to the application prior to January 1.

****Note: I believe the statutory language provided in the WI study group draft (that is not part of the uniform act) does not fit with the WI study group comment related to 406 (c) (1). The draft didn't actually provide for an automatic 30-day effective date. I have revised the language to do so. Is this okay? Also, what if more than one provision of subds. 1. to 3. applies? I have revised this paragraph so that registration is effective on the earliest of these dates; is this okay?

- (b) A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may set an earlier effective date or may defer the effective date until noon on the 45th day after the filing of any amendment completing the application.
- (4) REGISTRATION RENEWAL. A registration is effective until midnight on December 31 of the year for which the application for registration is filed. Unless an order is in effect under s. 551.412, a registration may be automatically renewed each year by filing such records as are required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter, by paying the fee specified in s. 551.614, and by paying costs charged by the designee of the administrator for processing the filings.

****Note: This provision corrects a mistaken cross-reference in the study group draft.

(5) Additional conditions or waivers. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may impose other conditions, not inconsistent with the National Securities Markets Improvement Act of 1996. An order issued under this chapter

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- 1 may waive, in whole or in part, specific requirements in connection with registration 2 as are in the public interest and for the protection of investors.
 - ***NOTE: Although this provision is part of the uniform act, which generally wouldn't be changed, I believe the syntax in this provision is rather awkward. The word "such" in the uniform act suggests another clause after "1996." Without another clause, the word is unnecessary and awkward, so I have removed it.
 - (6) Additional Information Required. (a) In addition to the information required elsewhere under this section, an application for registration shall contain, in the case of an individual, the individual's social security number and, in the case of a person who is not an individual, the person's federal employer identification number. The administrator may not disclose any information received under this paragraph to any person except the following:
 - 1. The department of revenue, for the sole purpose of requesting certifications under s. 73.0301.
 - 2. The department of workforce development in accordance with a memorandum of understanding under s. 49.857.

****Note: This provision was added by the WI study group based upon current WI law. The uniform act contains a provision, in s. 551.607 (2) (e), relating to the same subject matter. I have added a cross-reference to that provision.

- (b) If an applicant for the issuance or renewal of a registration under this section is an individual who does not have a social security number, the applicant, as a condition of applying for or applying to renew the registration, shall submit a statement made or subscribed under oath or affirmation to the administrator that the applicant does not have a social security number. The form of the statement shall be prescribed by the department of workforce development.
- (c) Any license issued or renewed in reliance upon a false statement submitted by an applicant under par. (a) or (b) is invalid.

- **551.407** Succession and change in registration of broker-dealer or investment adviser may succeed to the current registration of another broker-dealer or investment adviser or a notice filing of a federal covered investment adviser, and a federal covered investment adviser may succeed to the current registration of an investment adviser or notice filing of another federal covered investment adviser, by filing as a successor an application for registration pursuant to s. 551.401 or 551.403 or a notice pursuant to s. 551.405 for the unexpired portion of the current registration or notice filing.
- (2) Organizational Change. A broker-dealer or investment adviser that changes its form of organization or state of incorporation or organization may continue its registration by filing an amendment to its registration if the change does not involve a change in control. The amendment becomes effective when filed or on a date designated by the registrant in its filing. The new organization is a successor to the original registrant for the purposes of this chapter. If there is a change in control, the broker-dealer or investment adviser shall file a new application for registration. A predecessor registered under this chapter shall stop conducting its securities business other than winding down transactions and shall file for withdrawal of broker-dealer or investment adviser registration within 45 days after filing its amendment to effect succession.
- (3) Name Change. A broker-dealer or investment adviser that changes its name may continue its registration by filing an amendment to its registration. The amendment becomes effective when filed or on a date designated by the registrant.
- (4) CHANGE OF CONTROL. A change of control of a broker-dealer or investment adviser may be made in accordance with a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.

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551.408 Termination of employment or association of agent and investment adviser representative and transfer of employment or association. (1) Notice of termination. If an agent registered under this chapter terminates employment by or association with a broker-dealer or issuer, or if an investment adviser representative registered under this chapter terminates employment by or association with an investment adviser or federal covered investment adviser, or if either registrant terminates activities that require registration as an agent or investment adviser representative, the broker-dealer, issuer, investment adviser, or federal covered investment adviser shall promptly file a notice of termination. If the registrant learns that the broker-dealer, issuer, investment adviser, or federal covered investment adviser has not filed the notice, the registrant may do so.

(2) Transfer of employment or association. If an agent registered under this chapter terminates employment by or association with a broker-dealer registered under this chapter and begins employment by or association with another broker-dealer registered under this chapter; or if an investment adviser representative registered under this chapter terminates employment by or association with an investment adviser registered under this chapter or a federal covered investment adviser that has filed a notice under s. 551.405 and begins employment by or association with another investment adviser registered under this chapter or a federal covered investment adviser that has filed a notice under s. 551.405; then upon the filing by or on behalf of the registrant, within 30 days after the termination, of an application for registration that complies with the requirement of s. 551.406 (1) and payment of the filing fee required under s. 551.614, the registration of the agent or investment adviser representative is:

****NOTE: This provision corrects a mistaken cross-reference in the study group draft.

- (a) Immediately effective as of the date of the completed filing, if the agent's Central Registration Depository record or successor record or the investment adviser representative's Investment Adviser Registration Depository record or successor record does not contain a new or amended disciplinary disclosure within the previous 12 months.
- (b) Temporarily effective as of the date of the completed filing, if the agent's Central Registration Depository record or successor record or the investment adviser representative's Investment Adviser Registration Depository record or successor record contains a new or amended disciplinary disclosure within the preceding 12 months.
- (3) WITHDRAWAL OF TEMPORARY REGISTRATION. The administrator may withdraw a temporary registration if there are or were grounds for discipline as specified in s. 551.412 and the administrator does so within 30 days after the filing of the application. If the administrator does not withdraw the temporary registration within the 30-day period, registration becomes automatically effective on the 31st day after filing.
- (4) POWER TO PREVENT REGISTRATION. The administrator may prevent the effectiveness of a transfer of an agent or investment adviser representative under sub. (2) (a) or (b) based on the public interest and the protection of investors.
- (5) Termination of registration or application for registration. If the administrator determines that a registrant or applicant for registration is no longer in existence or has ceased to act as a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative, or is the subject of an adjudication of incapacity

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or is subject to the control of a committee, conservator, or guardian, or cannot reasonably be located, a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require the registration be canceled or terminated or the application denied. The administrator may reinstate a canceled or terminated registration, with or without hearing, and may make the registration retroactive.

551.409 Withdrawal of registration of broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, and investment adviser representative. Withdrawal of registration by a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative becomes effective 60 days after the filing of the application to withdraw or within any shorter period as provided by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter unless a revocation or suspension proceeding is pending when the application is filed. If a proceeding is pending, withdrawal becomes effective when and upon such conditions as required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter. The administrator may institute a revocation or suspension proceeding under s. 551.412 within one year after the withdrawal became effective automatically and issue a revocation or suspension order as of the last date on which registration was effective if a proceeding is not pending.

551.411 Postregistration requirements. (1) Financial requirements. Subject to section 15 (h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h)) or section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 USC 80b-18a), a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may establish minimum financial requirements for broker-dealers registered or required to be registered under this chapter and investment advisers registered or required to be registered under this chapter.

****Note: I have corrected what I believe to be an incorrect cite to federal law in the uniform act I believe the uniform act intended to cite to 15 USC 80b-18a (c).

(2) Financial reports. Subject to section 15 (h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h)) or section 222 (b) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 USC 80b-18a), a broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter shall file such financial reports as are required by a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter. If the information contained in a record filed under this subsection is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in a material respect, the registrant shall promptly file a correcting amendment.

****Note: I have changed, in this subsection and subs. (3), (5), and (6), what I believe to be an incorrect cross-reference in the uniform act, regarding the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

- (3) Record Keeping. Subject to section 15 (h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h)) or section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 USC 80b-18a):
- (a) A broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter shall make and maintain the accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books, and other records required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (b) Broker-dealer records required to be maintained under par. (a) may be maintained in any form of data storage acceptable under section 17 (a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 78q (a)) if they are readily accessible to the administrator.
- (c) Investment adviser records required to be maintained under par. (a) may be maintained in any form of data storage required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.

- (4) AUDITS OR INSPECTIONS. The records of a broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and of an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter are subject to such reasonable periodic, special, or other audits or inspections by a representative of the administrator, within or without this state, as the administrator considers necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors. The administrator may also conduct an examination of the books, records, and affairs of an applicant for registration as a broker-dealer or investment adviser. An audit or inspection may be made at any time and without prior notice. The administrator may copy, and remove for audit or inspection copies of, all records the administrator reasonably considers necessary or appropriate to conduct the audit or inspection. The administrator may assess a reasonable charge for conducting an audit or inspection under this subsection.
- (5) Custody and discretionary authority bond or insurance. Subject to section 15 (h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h)) or section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 USC 80b-18a), a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require a broker-dealer or investment adviser that has custody of or discretionary authority over funds or securities of a customer or client to obtain insurance or post a bond or other satisfactory form of security in an amount prescribed by the administrator by rule. The administrator may determine the requirements of the insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security. Insurance or a bond or other satisfactory form of security may not be required of a broker-dealer registered under this chapter whose net capital exceeds, or of an investment adviser registered under this chapter whose minimum financial requirements exceed, the amounts required by rule or order under this chapter. The

- insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security must permit an action by a person to enforce any liability on the insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security if instituted within the time limitations in s. 551.509 (10) (b).
- (6) Requirements for custody. Subject to section 15 (h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 USC 780 (h)) or section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 USC 80b-18a), an agent may not have custody of funds or securities of a customer except under the supervision of a broker-dealer and an investment adviser representative may not have custody of funds or securities of a client except under the supervision of an investment adviser or a federal covered investment adviser. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may prohibit, limit, or impose conditions on a broker-dealer regarding custody of funds or securities of a customer and on an investment adviser regarding custody of securities or funds of a client.
- (7) Investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter, a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require that information or other record be furnished or disseminated to clients or prospective clients in this state as necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors and advisory clients.
- (8) CONTINUING EDUCATION. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require an individual registered under s. 551.402 or 551.404 to participate in a continuing education program approved by the administrator and administered by a self-regulatory organization or, in the absence of such a program, a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require continuing education for an individual registered under s. 551.404.

(9) Interest rate on customer accounts. No registered broker-dealer shall be subject to s. 138.05 (1) (a) with respect to any debit balance in a customer account if the debit balance is payable on demand and the only collateral for the balance is securities.

551.412 Denial, revocation, suspension, censure, withdrawal, restriction, condition, or limitation of registration. (1) DISCIPLINARY CONDITIONS - APPLICANTS. If the administrator finds that the order is in the public interest and sub. (4) authorizes the action, an order issued under this chapter may deny an application, or may condition or limit registration of an applicant, to be a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative and, if the applicant is a broker-dealer or investment adviser, of a partner, officer, director, person having a similar status or performing similar functions, or person directly or indirectly in control of the broker-dealer or investment adviser.

- (2) DISCIPLINARY CONDITIONS REGISTRANTS. If the administrator finds that the order is in the public interest and sub. (4) authorizes the action, an order issued under this chapter may revoke, suspend, censure, condition, or limit the registration of a registrant and, if the registrant is a broker-dealer or investment adviser, of a partner, officer, director, person having a similar status or performing similar functions, or person directly or indirectly in control of the broker-dealer or investment adviser. However, the administrator may not do any of the following:
- (a) Institute a revocation or suspension proceeding under this subsection based on an order issued under a law of another state that is reported to the administrator or a designee of the administrator more than one year after the date of the order on which it is based.

- (b) Under sub. (4) (e) 1. or 2., issue an order on the basis of an order issued under the securities act of another state unless the other order was based on conduct for which sub. (4) would authorize the action had the conduct occurred in this state.
- (3) DISCIPLINARY PENALTIES REGISTRANTS. If the administrator finds that the order is in the public interest and sub. (4) (a) to (f), (h), (i), (j), (L) (L) (m) authorizes the action, an order under this chapter may censure, impose a bar, or impose a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed a maximum of \$10,000 for a single violation or \$100,000 for more than one violation, or in such amount as agreed to by the parties, on a registrant and, if the registrant is a broker-dealer or investment adviser, a partner, officer, director, person having a similar status or performing similar functions, or person directly or indirectly in control of the broker-dealer or investment adviser.

***NOTE: Should this provision of the uniform act be modified to also cross-reference any of the nonuniform provisions created in sub. (4) (0) to (r) and (4g)?

- (4) GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE. A person may be disciplined under subs. (1) to (3) if the person:
- (a) Has filed an application for registration in this state under this chapter or the predecessor act within the previous 10 years, which, as of the effective date of registration or as of any date after filing in the case of an order denying effectiveness, was incomplete in any material respect or contained a statement that, in light of the circumstances under which it was made, was false or misleading with respect to a material fact.
- (b) Willfully violated or willfully failed to comply with this chapter or the predecessor act or a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter or the predecessor act within the previous 10 years.

- (c) Has been convicted of a felony or within the previous 10 years has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving a security, a commodity future or option contract, or an aspect of a business involving securities, commodities, investments, franchises, insurance, banking, or finance.
- (d) Is enjoined or restrained by a court of competent jurisdiction in an action instituted by the administrator under this chapter or the predecessor act, a state, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the United States from engaging in or continuing an act, practice, or course of business involving an aspect of a business involving securities, commodities, investments, franchises, insurance, banking, or finance.
- (e) Is the subject of an order, issued after notice and opportunity for hearing, by any of the following:
- 1. The securities or other financial services regulator of a state or the Securities and Exchange Commission or other federal agency denying, revoking, barring, or suspending registration as a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, federal covered investment adviser, or investment adviser representative.
- 2. The securities regulator of a state or the Securities and Exchange Commission against a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, investment adviser representative, or federal covered investment adviser.
- 3. The Securities and Exchange Commission or a self-regulatory organization suspending or expelling the registrant from membership in the self-regulatory organization.
 - 4. A court adjudicating a United States Postal Service fraud order.
- 5. The insurance regulator of a state denying, suspending, or revoking registration as an insurance agent.

- 6. A depository institution or financial services regulator suspending or barring the person from the depository institution or other financial services business.
- opportunity for hearing, by the Securities and Exchange Commission; the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; the Federal Trade Commission; a federal depository institution regulator, or a depository institution, insurance, or other financial services regulator of a state that the person willfully violated the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the Commodity Exchange Act, the securities or commodities law of a state, or a federal or state law under which a business involving investments, franchises, insurance, banking, or finance is regulated.
- (g) Is insolvent, either because the person's liabilities exceed the person's assets or because the person cannot meet the person's obligations as they mature, but the administrator may not enter an order against an applicant or registrant under this paragraph without a finding of insolvency as to the applicant or registrant.
- (h) Refuses to allow or otherwise impedes the administrator from conducting an audit or inspection under s. 551.411 (4) or refuses access to a registrant's office to conduct an audit or inspection under s. 551.411 (4).
- (i) Has failed to reasonably supervise an agent, investment adviser representative, or other individual, if the agent, investment adviser representative, or other individual was subject to the person's supervision and committed a violation of this chapter or the predecessor act or a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter or the predecessor act within the previous 10 years.

- (j) Has not paid the proper filing fee within 30 days after having been notified by the administrator of a deficiency, but the administrator shall vacate an order under this paragraph when the deficiency is corrected.
- (k) After notice and opportunity for a hearing, has been found within the previous 10 years:
- 1. By a court of competent jurisdiction to have willfully violated the laws of a foreign jurisdiction under which the business of securities, commodities, investment, franchises, insurance, banking, or finance is regulated.
- 2. To have been the subject of an order of a securities regulator of a foreign jurisdiction denying, revoking, or suspending the right to engage in the business of securities as a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, investment adviser representative, or similar person.
- 3. To have been suspended or expelled from membership by or participation in a securities exchange or securities association operating under the securities laws of a foreign jurisdiction.
- (L) Is the subject of a cease and desist order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission or issued under the securities, commodities, investment, franchise, banking, finance, or insurance laws of a state.
- (m) Has engaged in dishonest or unethical practices in the securities, commodities, investment, franchise, banking, finance, or insurance business within the previous 10 years.
- (n) Is not qualified on the basis of factors such as training, experience, and knowledge of the securities business. However, in the case of an application by an agent for a broker-dealer that is a member of a self-regulatory organization or by an individual for registration as an investment adviser representative, a denial

- order may not be based on this paragraph if the individual has successfully completed all examinations required by sub. (5). The administrator may require an applicant for registration under s. 551.402 or 551.404 who has not been registered in a state within the 2 years preceding the filing of an application in this state to successfully complete an examination.
- (o) Is the subject of an order of the administrator denying an application or suspending or revoking a registration as a broker-dealer, agent, or investment adviser.
- (p) Is selling or has sold, or is offering or has offered for sale, in the state securities through any unlicensed agent or for any broker-dealer or issuer with knowledge that the broker-dealer or issuer has not complied with this chapter.
- (q) Has made any material misrepresentation to or withheld or concealed any material fact from the administrator, or has refused to furnish information reasonably requested by the administrator.
- (r) Has not complied with the conditions or limitations of a registration issued under this chapter.
- (4g) Additional grounds for denial of application. (a) The administrator shall deny an application for the issuance or renewal of a registration if any of the following applies:
- The applicant fails to provide any information required under s. 551.406 (6)
 (a) 1. or 2.
- 2. The department of revenue certifies under s. 73.0301 that the applicant is liable for delinquent taxes. An applicant whose application for the issuance or renewal of a registration is denied under this subdivision for delinquent taxes is

entitled to a notice under s. 73.0301 (2) (b) 1. b. and hearing under s. 73.0301 (5) (a), but is not entitled to any other notice, hearing, or review under this subchapter.

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3. The applicant is an individual who fails to comply, after appropriate notice, with a subpoena or warrant issued by the department of workforce development or a county child support agency under s. 59.53 (5) and related to paternity or child support proceedings or who is delinquent in making court-ordered payments of child or family support, maintenance, birth expenses, medical expenses or other expenses related to the support of a child or former spouse, as provided in a memorandum of understanding entered under s. 49.857. An applicant whose application is denied under this subdivision for delinquent payments is entitled to a notice and hearing under s. 49.857 but is not entitled to any other notice or hearing under this section.

****NOTE: In the WI study group draft, hearing in subd. 2. and par. (c) is "under this subchapter" but hearing under subd. 3. and par. (b) is "under this section"? Did the WI study group intend there to be a substantive difference in hearing availability?

(b) Unless s. 551.406 (6) applies to the registrant, the administrator shall restrict or suspend a registration under this subchapter if the registrant is an individual who fails to provide his or her social security number. The administrator shall restrict or suspend a registration under this subchapter if the registrant is an individual who fails to comply, after appropriate notice, with a subpoena or warrant issued by the department of workforce development or a county child support agency under s. 59.53 (5) and related to paternity or child support proceedings or who is delinquent in making court-ordered payments of child or family support, maintenance, birth expenses, medical expenses or other expenses related to the support of a child or former spouse, as provided in a memorandum of understanding entered into under s. 49.857. A registrant whose registration is restricted or

suspended under this paragraph is entitled to a notice and hearing under s. 49.857
but is not entitled to any other notice or hearing under this sections

****Note: It is unclear to me why the "unless s. 551.406(6)(c) applies" was included in this provision. Is this the intended cross-reference?

- (c) The administrator shall revoke a registration if the department of revenue certifies under s. 73.0301 that the registrant is liable for delinquent taxes. A registrant whose registration is revoked under this paragraph for delinquent taxes is entitled to a notice under s. 73.0301 (2) (b) 1. b. and hearing under s. 73.0301 (5) (a) but is not entitled to any other notice, hearing, or review under this subchapter.
- (4r) Enumeration of clauses not exclusive. The enumeration of the causes stated in sub. (4) shall not be exclusive and the administrator may deny an application or suspend or revoke any registrant or censure any registrant for any cause whether similar to or different from these causes when necessary or appropriate in public interest or for the protection of investors.
- (5) Examinations. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require that an examination, including an examination developed or approved by an organization of securities regulators, be successfully completed by a class of individuals or all individuals. An order issued under this chapter may waive, in whole or in part, an examination as to an individual and a rule adopted under this chapter may waive, in whole or in part, an examination as to a class of individuals if the administrator determines that the examination is not necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors.
- (6) SUMMARY PROCESS. The administrator may suspend or deny an application summarily; restrict, condition, limit, or suspend a registration; or censure, bar, or impose a civil penalty on a registrant before final determination of an administrative

proceeding. Upon the issuance of an order, the administrator shall promptly notify each person subject to the order that the order has been issued, the reasons for the action, and that within 15 days after the receipt of a request in a record from the person the matter will be scheduled for a hearing. If a hearing is not requested and none is ordered by the administrator within 30 days after the date of service of the order, the order becomes final by operation of law. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the administrator, after notice of and opportunity for hearing to each person subject to the order, may modify or vacate the order or extend the order until final determination.

- (7) PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS. An order issued may not be issued under this section, except under sub. (6), without all of the following:
 - (a) Appropriate notice to the applicant or registrant.
 - (b) Opportunity for hearing.
 - (c) Findings of fact and conclusions of law in a record in accordance with ch. 227.
- (8) CONTROL PERSON LIABILITY. A person that controls, directly or indirectly, a person not in compliance with this section may be disciplined by order of the administrator under subs. (1) to (3) to the same extent as the noncomplying person, unless the controlling person did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of the existence of conduct that is a ground for discipline under this section.
- (9) Limit on investigation or proceeding. The administrator may not institute a proceeding under sub. (1), (2), or (3) based solely on material facts actually known by the administrator unless an investigation or the proceeding is instituted within one year after the administrator actually acquires knowledge of the material facts.