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# WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE

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## CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 01-138

### Comments

**[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 1998.]**

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

In s. DWD 44.02 (1), the U.S. Code citation should be included.

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

In s. DWD 44.05 (2), pars. (f) and (g) should have titles for consistency with the preceding paragraphs. Also, in par. (f), “measures under pars. (a) to (e)” should replace “above measures.”

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

a. In s. DWD 44.01, “a procedure” should be replaced with “the procedure.”

b. In s. DWD 44.02 (2), the language in the definition relating to alleged fathers who may be obligated at some point to pay child support seems to be too broad. It suggests that any person who may ever be required to pay child support for a child receiving IV-D services could be counted as a case. It would be clearer if alleged fathers were discussed in a separate sentence and if there was a requirement that a case is pending relating to the person’s potential support obligation or the child is receiving IV-D services during the year in question.

c. In s. DWD 44.02 (4), “percent” should be replaced with “percentage” and “will receive” should be replaced with “receives.”

d. In s. DWD 44.02 (10), “a number” should be replaced with “the number.”

e. In s. DWD 44.04 (1) (b), “should” should be replaced with “shall.”

f. In s. DWD 44.04 (2), “will” should be replaced with “shall.”

g. In s. DWD 44.05 (2) (a) (intro.), “may be” should be replaced with “is.”

h. In s. DWD 44.05 (2) (a) 2., it appears that “minor” should be deleted.

i. In s. DWD 44.05 (2) (b), “orders” should be inserted at the end of the sentence.

j. In s. DWD 44.05 (2) (d), what is meant by “eligible IV-D cases”?

k. In s. DWD 44.05 (3), “will use” should be replaced with “shall follow.”

l. In s. DWD 44.06 (1) (intro.), “all of the following” should be inserted at the end of the sentence.

m. In s. DWD 44.06 (1) (b) (intro.), “the following” should be inserted before “two methods.”

n. In s. DWD 44.07 (1), will readers of the rule understand the significance of the ellipsis in the formula?