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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 17-047

Comments

[<u>NOTE</u>: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the <u>Administrative Rules Procedures Manual</u>, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated December 2014.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. Throughout the rule, when a single word is amended, the existing word should be stricken in its entirety and the new word should be underscored immediately after the strike-through. [s. 1.06(2), Manual.]

b. In SECTION 2 of the rule, the proper treatment is "ATCP 99.126 (3) is repealed and recreated:". The text of a repealed and recreated rule should be shown as it will appear after promulgation, without strike-throughs and underscores. [s. 1.065, Manual.]

c. In SECTION 4 of the rule, the proper treatment clause is "ATCP 101.245 (2) is amended to read:". [s. 1.04 (1) (b), Manual.]

d. In SECTION 4 of the rule, the material in s. ATCP 101.245(2)(d) 3. does not form a complete sentence when read together with the introductory material in s. ATCP 101.245(2)(d). [s. 1.03(3), Manual.]

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

a. Throughout the rule, all subunits should end with a period, rather than a semicolon or the word "and" or "or". [s. 1.03 (4), Manual.]

b. In SECTION 2 of the rule, it is unclear who the deferred payment assessment is being assessed against. Section ATCP 99.126 (3) (a) and (b) provides that the assessment rate is "applied to" certain "deferred payment contracts".

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c. The desired effect of s. ATCP 99.126 (3) (c) is unclear. If the intent is to require a contributing grain dealer to pay a deferred assessment equal to the amount calculated under pars. (a) and (b), SECTION 2 of the rule should be rewritten for clarity.