

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

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1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

X Original    Updated    Corrected

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2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

EL Chapter 6, Procedure

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3. Subject

Rule repeals and amends sections of EL Ch. 6 which no longer apply to the Wisconsin Elections Commission after the transition from the Government Accountability Board. The rule is amended to update procedures for the filing of documents electronically by email with the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

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4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEG-S

5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

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6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

X No Fiscal Effect    Increase Existing Revenues    Increase Costs  
 Indeterminate    Decrease Existing Revenues    Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Cost

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7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy    Specific Businesses/Sectors  
 Local Government Units    Public Utility Rate Payers  
 Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)

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8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes   X No

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9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

Removes portions of this rule that no longer apply to the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Updates rule to allow individuals to file certain documents electronically by email to keep up with modern technology and practices.

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10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

None

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11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

None

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12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

None

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

Removes parts of the rule that no longer apply to the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Allows certain documents to be filed electronically by email with the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Failure to remove provisions no longer applicable to the Wisconsin Elections Commission could confuse voters, candidates, elected officials and the general public.

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14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

Removes parts of a rule that no longer apply to the Wisconsin Elections Commission, and therefore will remove potential confusion by those affected by the rule. Allows certain documents to be filed electronically by email with the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

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15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None

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16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

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Iowa: The filing of certain election related documents can be accomplished by facsimile or email, if original documents are received by prescribed deadlines. Certain filings, including verified complaints must be submitted in hard copy with the appropriate filing officer.

Minnesota: Filing officers may accept only original hard-copy election petitions and recall petitions offered for filing, which is consistent with the amendments to the Wisconsin rules.

Illinois: The filing of complaints and filing of other documents with the Illinois State Board of Elections is accomplished by hard copy filing. The Illinois administrative code definition of filing does not include an option for filing documents by email or other electronic means.

Michigan: Consistent with the amendments to Wisconsin rules, certain election related document can only be filed in hard-copy like affidavits of candidacy and petitions.

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

N/A

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2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

N/A

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3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
- Other, describe:

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4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

N/A

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5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

N/A

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6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes     No
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