Report From Agency

STATE OF WISCONSIN FUNERAL DIRECTORS EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING	:	
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE	:	REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
FUNERAL DIRECTORS	:	CR 19-162
EXAMINING BOARD	:	

I. THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule, including the analysis and text, is attached.

II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:

N/A.

III. FISCAL ESTIMATE AND EIA:

The Fiscal Estimate and EIA is attached.

IV. DETAILED STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BASIS AND PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE, INCLUDING HOW THE PROPOSED RULE ADVANCES RELEVANT STATUTORY GOALS OR PURPOSES:

This rule project removes a duplicative continuing education requirement for funeral directors. Section FD 4.03 (4m) requires funeral directors to log at least 3 hours of continuing education in professional conduct, business ethics or legal aspects specifically related to the practice in the profession. Section FD 4.03 (4) unnecessarily duplicates this requirement. The rule also clarifies that a "credit hour" for the purposes of obtaining continuing education credit is at least 50 minutes. Finally, the rule repeals FD 4.03 (8) as it is obsolete in light of the creation of a new section of the code defining "credit hour."

V. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND THE BOARD'S RESPONSES, EXPLANATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED RULES PROMPTED BY PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Funeral Directors Examining Board held a public hearing on January 22, 2020. No comments were received.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Comment 5. b.: In the board's analysis for the proposed rule, the descriptions for the analysis and supporting documents and fiscal estimate and economic impact analyses should be revised from future tense to past tense.

Response: The descriptions and supporting documents appear to be in the correct tense. Therefore, the board rejects this comment.

All of the remaining recommendations suggested in the Clearinghouse Report have been accepted in whole.

VII. REPORT FROM THE SBRRB AND FINAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS:

N/A.