Report From Agency

FINAL REPORT CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 24-009 CHAPTER PI 34 EDUCATOR LICENSES

Analysis by the Department of Public Instruction

Statutory authority: s. 115.28 (7) (a), Wis. Stats.

Statute interpreted: ss. 115.28 (7) (a) and 118.19 (7m), Wis. Stats.

This proposed rule updates ch. PI 34 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code to conform the rule to changes in statute as a result of 2021 Wisconsin Act 236. The proposed rule will also define terms used in statutory language to provide greater clarity and alignment to current rule, including what is meant by hours of classroom observation. The rule will also align the name of this license to the terminology used in statute.

The hearing notice was published in the February 12th, 2024, edition of the Wisconsin Administrative Register. A public hearing was held on March 1, 2024.

No persons testified at the March 1st hearing. However, the following persons submitted written testimony:

NAME	ORGANIZATION	IN FAVOR OR GENERALLY IN FAVOR	OPPOSED OR GENERALLY OPPOSED	OTHER
Wendy Kropid	University of Wisconsin-Superior			Х

Summary of public comments relative to the rule and the agency's response to those comments:

1. The respondent inquired about the proposed change to s. PI 34.032 (2) (b) 4., which provides that a substitute teacher enrolled in an educator preparation program must complete at least 15 hours of classroom observation in the clinical program of the of the educator preparation program. Specifically, the respondent asked whether the hours of classroom observation include hours that the individual spends teaching as part of the pre-student teaching clinical experience or is this specifically limited to the hours spent observing a licensed experienced teacher.

Agency response: Under s. 118.19 (7m) b. 1. d, Wis. Stats., the individual has completed at least 15 hours of classroom observation. The proposed rule references pre-student teaching and student teaching as part of the clinical program. No further changes are needed.

Changes made as a result of oral or written testimony:

No changes were made.

Changes to the analysis or the fiscal estimate:

No changes were made.

Responses to Clearinghouse Report:

3. Conflict with or Duplication of Existing Rules:

The department had not intended to change the length of the term of the permit in the proposed. Therefore, the proposed change has been removed to eliminate confusion from the proposed rule.

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

The changes are accepted.

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Plainness:

The changes are accepted.