

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the authority given in s. 115.364 (3), 118.55 (9), and 227.11 (2) (a) (intro.), Stats.; and interpreting s. 115.364, 118.52, 118.55 (7g) and 121.91 (4) (o), Stats.; the Department of Public Instruction will hold a preliminary public hearing and comment period as required in s. 227.136 (1), Stats., to consider promulgation of administrative rules under four scope statements:

- SS 034-18; relating to changes to PI 15 as a result of 2017 Wisconsin Act 59
- SS 035-18; relating to aid for school mental health programs
- SS 037-18; relating to restoring part time open enrollment
- SS 039-18; relating to the Early College Credit program and changes to PI 40 as a result of 2017 Wisconsin Act 59

Pursuant to s. 227.135 (1), Stats., a statement of scope is prepared in advance of any rule that an agency plans to promulgate, and shall include a description of the objective the rule, a description of existing policies relevant to the rule and an analysis of policy alternatives, the statutory authority for the rule, estimates of the amount of time that is expected to develop the rule, a description of entities affected by the rule, and a summary of any federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the rule. Pursuant to s. 227.136 (7), Stats., a preliminary public hearing and comment period on a statement of scope does not relieve the agency of its obligation to hold an agency hearing on proposed rules under s. 227.16, Stats., after proposed rules are available for review.

Hearing Information

Date and Time: April 23, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location: GEF 3 Building, Room 041, 125 South Webster St., Madison, WI 53703

The hearing site is fully accessible to persons with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodation to access the meeting, please call Carl Bryan at (608) 267-9127, or leave a message with the Teletypewriter (TTY) at (608) 267-2427, at least 10 days prior to the hearing date. Reasonable accommodation includes materials prepared in an alternative format, as provided under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Submittal of Written Comments and Deadline for Submission

Written comments may be made via the Department's form for submitting comment at <https://goo.gl/forms/Xzs6SYf3ToyUKNQ52>. Questions or additional testimony may be accepted by using the contact information below. Written comments on the scope statements received no later than April 26, 2018, will be given the same consideration as testimony presented at the hearing.

Agency Contact Person

Carl Bryan, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Public Instruction, 125 South Webster Street, P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841, or by email to adminrules@dpi.wi.gov.

The statements of scope for each proposed rule are available to review at <https://dpi.wi.gov/policy-budget/administrative-rules#stepscope> or http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment.