

STATEMENT OF SCOPE
Department of Workforce Development

Rule No.: DWD 310

Relating to: Fees for general aptitude test battery services

Rule Type: Permanent

Detailed Description of the Objective of the Proposed Rule

The objective of the proposed rule is to repeal ch. DWD 310, which is obsolete.

Description of Existing Policies Relevant to the Rule, New Policies Proposed to be Included in the Rule, and an Analysis of Policy Alternatives

Chapter DWD 310 establishes fees for training services and materials related to the general aptitude test battery (GATB) that are furnished by the Department of Workforce development to governmental and nonprofit organizations. The GATB was a series of tests developed by the U.S. Department of Labor for measuring basic skills, including math, reading, and manual dexterity, that was used primarily for applicants for apprenticeships and skilled industrial or manufacturing positions. However, use of the GATB was discontinued more than 20 years ago and the Department does not provide GATB-related training services and materials. Therefore, ch. DWD 310 is obsolete and the Department proposes to repeal the chapter. The policy alternative is to retain an obsolete chapter in the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Detailed Explanation of Statutory Authority for the Rule (Including the Statutory Citation and Language)

Section 103.005 (1), Stats.: "The department shall adopt reasonable and proper rules and regulations relative to the exercise of its powers and authorities...."

Section 227.11 (2) (a), Stats.: "Rule-making authority is expressly conferred on an agency as follows: . . . Each agency may promulgate rules interpreting the provisions of any statute enforced or administered by the agency, if the agency considers it necessary to effectuate the purpose of the statute. . . ."

Estimate of Amount of Time that State Employees Will Spend Developing the Rule and of Other Resources Necessary to Develop the Rule

Less than 20 hours.

List with Description of All Entities that May Be Affected by the Proposed Rule

Because the GATB is no longer used, the proposed rule does not affect any specific entities.

Summary and Preliminary Comparison with Any Existing or Proposed Federal Regulation that is Intended to Address the Activities to be Regulated by the Proposed Rule

None.

Anticipated Economic Impact of Implementing the Rule (Note if the Rule is Likely to Have a Significant Economic Impact on Small Businesses)

The proposed rule is anticipated to have no economic impact, including no economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats.

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