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Report From Agency

Rule Report for Legislative Review

Wisconsin Works Sanctions Good Cause Exceptions

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Basis and Purpose of the Proposed Rules

The proposed rules create additional circumstances that are considered good cause for failing to comply with W-2 participation requirements.

Changes to Analysis Prepared under Section 227.14 (2), Stats.

As noticed for the public hearing, this rulemaking order included the Department's proposed rules on notice before taking any action against a W-2 participant that would result in a 20% or more reduction in that participant's benefits or in termination of the participant's W-2 eligibility, as required by s. 49.153 (1), Stats. Section 49.153, Stats., was amended by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28 and the proposed rules on notice before taking any action need to be rewritten. The notice rules have been withdrawn from this rulemaking order.

Public Hearing Summary

A public hearing was held on May 15, 2008. A summary of the hearing comments relating only to good cause is in the attached hearing summary.

Response to Legislative Council Staff Recommendations

All comments were accepted.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The proposed rules will affect small businesses as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats., but will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of businesses.

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