

**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
FISCAL ESTIMATE  
AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS**

Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original     Updated     Corrected

Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

Ch. ATCP 104 Leaf Tobacco Buying and Selling

Subject

Leaf Tobacco Buying and Selling

Fund Sources Affected

Chapter 20 , Stats. Appropriations Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG SEG-S

Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect  
 Indeterminate

Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing Revenues

Increase Costs  
 Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Costs

The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy

Specific Businesses/Sectors

Local Government Units

Public Utility Rate Payers

Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes     No

Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

The existing rule regulates certain transactions between tobacco growers and tobacco manufacturing or brokerage firms. However, the existing rule is limited to regulating cash-market transactions for tobacco leaves (which would occur after the crop is harvested). Wisconsin grown tobacco is no longer traded with this type of transaction. Instead, Wisconsin tobacco growers generally grow and sell on contracts that are negotiated before the growing season begins. Therefore, the existing rule is obsolete.

This proposed rule would simply delete an outdated and obsolete chapter from the administrative code.

Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This proposed rule would simply delete an outdated and obsolete chapter from the administrative code. DATCP does not anticipate that it would have any economic or fiscal impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers, local governmental units, or the state's economy as a whole.

Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

***Benefits***

This proposed rule removes an obsolete and unneeded chapter from the Administrative Rules.

*Alternatives*

DATCP could leave ch. ATCP 104, Wis. Stats. in place. The rule is obsolete, and does not impose any costs or benefits on tobacco growers or tobacco buyers.

DATCP could also modify the rule to make it more relevant to contemporary leaf-tobacco transactions.

Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

See the discussions above.

Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

There are no known federal statutes or regulations (existing or proposed) that are comparable to ch. ATCP 104, Wis. Adm. Code.

Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

There are no known rules in adjacent states that are comparable to ch. ATCP 104, Wis. Adm. Code.

Comments Received in Response to Web Posting and DATCP Response

No comments were received in response either to the posting on the DATCP external website or the statewide administrative rules website. There were also no comments received at the public hearings.