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REPORT TO LEGISLATURE

NR 8, 10,12, 20, and 23, Wis. Adm. Code

Board Order No. CS-03-16 Clearinghouse Rule No. 17-061

Basis and Purpose of the Proposed Rule

The items detailed in the proposed permanent rule are needed to allow for the continued use of the statewide license system currently known as Go Wild. The automated system offers flexible fulfillment options, faster delivery of approvals, and improved customer service.

Summary of Public Comments

The notice for public hearings was posted on the department website on August. 9. Two public hearings were held on Aug. 21, 2017 in Madison and Wausau. No public attended either of the hearings and no written comments were received during the comment period that concluded August 21, 2017.

Modifications Made

No modifications were made, as no public comments or testimony were received.

Appearances at the Public Hearing

No public appeared at either of the two public hearings.

Changes to Rule Analysis and Fiscal Estimate

No changes to the Rule Analysis or Fiscal Estimate were made, as no public comments or testimony were received.

Response to Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse Report

The Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse submitted comments on August 21, 2017 relating to "Form, Style, and Placement in Administrative Code" and "Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation, and Use of Plain Language". Changes to the proposed rule were made to address all recommendations by the Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse, except for those discussed below.

- Item 2.d., "SECTIONS 30 and 31 could be treated together in a single SECTION, as could SECTIONS 36 and 38." The department opted to keep Sections 30 and 31 and SECTIONS 36 and 38 as separate sections.
- Item 5.f., "In Section 31, what is meant by the requirement that the hide and lower legs must "accompany" a deer, bear, or elk?" The common dictionary usage of "accompany" applies in this section and therefore, the department did not elaborate further upon its meaning.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

No economic impacts are anticipated as a result of these rules. The department currently contracts with a vendor and provides automated licensing to the public through private retail outlets such as convenience stores, department stores, small sporting goods shops, as well as large retailers of outdoors-related merchandise. Licenses will also continue to be available at department service centers, and online. Following these rules, the same basic framework of license delivery would remain in place.

We anticipate improved delivery of services because more services will be available around the clock via the internet. These proposals will generally contribute to providing access to opportunities for hunting, fishing, trapping and other outdoor activities and maintenance of the economic activity generated by people who participate in those activities.

These rules do not impose new compliance or reporting requirements for small business. Vendors who choose to serve as department license outlets would continue to have compliance and reporting requirements and follow operational standards. Therefore, under s. 227.19 (3m) Stats. a final regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

These rules do not modify the actual fees for any licenses, permits, registrations, or trail use stickers.

<u>Response to Small Business Regulatory Review Board Report</u>
The Small Business Regulatory Review Board did not prepare a report on this rule proposal.