

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Updated <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected	2. Date July 14, 2020
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) FD 1	
4. Subject Certification Courses for Funeral Director Apprentices	
5. Fund Sources Affected <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEG-S	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply) <input type="checkbox"/> State's Economy <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Businesses/Sectors <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Units <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utility Rate Payers <input type="checkbox"/> Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$0.00	
10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule The Covid-19 epidemic has severely restricted the ability of funeral director apprentice applicants to complete their 16-hour required certification course in an "in-person" format as required by administrative rule. Given the shortage of funeral director practitioners in Wisconsin, it is necessary to facilitate the certification of new apprentices. Therefore, the Funeral Directors Examining Board seeks to temporarily repeal the administrative rule provision requiring the course be completed in-person at least until in-person instruction becomes possible once again. .	
12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments. The rule draft was posted for 14 days on the department's website to solicit economic impact comments from businesses, local governmental units, and individuals. No comments were received.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA. The rule draft was posted for 14 days on the department's website to solicit economic impact comments from local governmental units. No comments were received.	
14. 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) None.	
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule The benefit of implementing the rule is to allow funeral director apprentice applicants to take their required 16-hour certification course remotely during the Covid-19 epidemic. Not implementing the rule will impose a hardship on applicants who may not be able to attend an in-person class.	
16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule The long range implication of implementing the rule is to increase access to the funeral director apprentice certification course during the Covid-19 epidemic.	
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government	

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None

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

Illinois:

Applicants for funeral director licensure must complete a 12 month internship within five years of applying for licensure (Ill. Admin. Code § 1250.135). A certification course does not appear to be required prior to beginning the internship, although internship candidates must have completed a course of study in mortuary science (Id. at § 125.120).

Iowa:

Iowa requires completion of a 12 month internship prior to licensure as a funeral director. There do not appear to be education or examination requirements prior to beginning an internship (IAC § 645—101.2 (1)).

Michigan:

Michigan requires applicants for funeral director licensure to complete a one year resident trainee program. Training may begin after completing the required professional education for licensure, but there does not appear to be a certification course that must be taken other than the required college credits (MCL § 339.1808).

Minnesota:

Funeral director internship applicants must first have completed a bachelors in mortuary science, a bachelor's in science plus a course of study in mortuary science, or equivalent, and must pass both national competency and state specific statutes and rules examinations. There does not appear to be an internship certification course requirement other than the required college degree (MN Stats. § 149A.20 (6)).

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
- Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes No
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