

## 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 1/30/2024
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) DCF 50, Facilitating Public Adoptions and Adoption Assistance	
4. Subject Adoption assistance supplemental payments	
5. Fund Sources Affected <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input checked="" 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 s. 20.437 (1) (dd) and (1)(pd)
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 checked="" 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 <b>(if checked, complete Attachment A)</b>	
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$none	
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	
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 department solicited comments from the Wisconsin County Human Services Association; the Wisconsin Family Connections Center, which contracts with the department to support foster and adoptive families, many of whom are recipients of adoption assistance; & Lutheran Social Services and Children's Wisconsin, which contract with the department to administer public adoptions.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA. No comments were received from a local governmental unit.	
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) The proposed rule would bring adoption assistance rule into conformance with current practice and align the methodology for determining supplemental payments with other department programs (subsidized guardianship and foster care). The result of the rule change is cost neutral.	
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule The benefit of implementing the rule is to align with current practice and have consistency across DCF programs (subsidized guardianship and foster care) that use similar methodology. The alternative to implementing the rule would be the continued misalignment between rule and practice, and inconsistent methodologies across other DCF programs.	
16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule This change will align rule with practice and affects the department and families who adopt a child from the public child welfare system. There are no expected negative consequences with long range implications.	
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government	

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The adoption assistance program is authorized under 42 USC 673. The program provides partial reimbursement to states to facilitate the timely placement of children whose special needs or circumstances would otherwise make it difficult to place them with adoptive families. 42 USC 673 (a) (3) provides that the amount of an adoption assistance payment shall be determined through agreement between the adopting parents and the state agency, which shall take into account the circumstances of the adopting parents and the needs of the child being adopted and may be adjusted periodically with the concurrence of the adopting parents.

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18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)  
Not applicable

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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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)

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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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:

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

Not applicable

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

Yes    No

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