

Notice of Public Hearing

The Department of Children and Families announces that it will hold a public hearing on proposed rules affecting chs. DCF 42, 49, 50, and 51, relating to facilitating public adoptions and adoption assistance; preadoption training.

Hearing Information

Date: February 7, 2018

Time: 10:00 am

Location: GEF 1 Building, 201 E. Washington, Room H206, Madison WI

Submittal of Written Comments

Written comments may be submitted no later than February 7, 2018.

Email: dcfpublichearing@wisconsin.gov

Website: <http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/comment> Copies of the rule are also available at this website.

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Accessibility

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including information in an alternative format, will be provided to qualified individuals upon request.

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The proposed rule will affect small businesses as defined in s. 227.114(1), Stats., but the effect will be minimal. The proposed rules incorporate statutory changes and minor updates and provide needed clarification of the requirements in the rules.

2015 Wisconsin Act 379 increases the hours of required training for prospective adoptive parents, which may increase costs for adoption agencies.

Small Business Regulatory Coordinator

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