

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Department of Safety and Professional Services

Rule No.: Chapter SPS 305

Relating to: Continuing Education

Rule Type: Emergency and Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only):

Current administrative rules require a youth apprentice participating in a youth apprenticeship program under s. 106.13, Stats., as an enrolled registered electrician to complete at least 24 hours of continuing education in order to renew their enrollment. As a youth apprentice is a high school junior or senior with an already significant academic workload, the requirement to complete continuing education makes it less likely for eligible individuals to join and complete a youth apprenticeship program. An expeditious promulgation of the proposed rule is in the best interest of Wisconsin's economy and public welfare, as it will help ensure the opportunity for individuals to begin employment or start a business as an electrician in Wisconsin is not delayed or denied.

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of the proposed rule is to revise s. SPS 305.45 to exempt an individual participating in a youth apprenticeship program under s. 106.13, Stats., from continuing education requirements.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

Current administrative rules require an enrolled registered electrician to complete at least 24 hours of continuing education in order to renew their enrollment. The proposed rule will revise s. SPS 305.45 to exempt individuals participating in a youth apprenticeship program under s. 106.13, Stats., from this requirement.

The alternative of not promulgating the proposed rule would be less beneficial to affected entities.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 101.02 (15) (b), Stats., requires the Department to administer and enforce, so far as not otherwise provided for in the statutes, the laws relating to licensed occupations.

Section 101.82 (1g) (d), Stats., requires the Department to regulate registered electricians.

Section 101.82 (1m), Stats., requires the Department to "[p]romulgate rules that establish criteria for the enrollment of registered electricians and for the registration of electrical apprentices."

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

80 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Existing and potential youth apprenticeship employers and youth apprentices.

7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule:

None.

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

The proposed rule will have minimal to no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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