

Minnesota Board of Pharmacy

Rule-making Docket in the matter of:

Possible Adoption of Rules Governing Pharmacy Practice, Including Pharmacy Work Conditions Related to the Safety of the Public, Proposing Adoption of a New Rule Part Minnesota Rules 6800.2160; Revisor's ID Number RD4355

Subject matter:

The Minnesota Board of Pharmacy (Board) is proposing to amend rules pertaining to the subject mentioned above. Specifically, the Board is considering adopting a new rule that would prohibit a pharmacy that is licensed under Minnesota Statutes §151.19, subd. 1, and that is located within the State of Minnesota, from requiring a pharmacist, pharmacy intern or pharmacy technician to work for more than twelve continuous hours per day. The rule would also require that pharmacists, pharmacy interns and pharmacy technicians, working longer than six continuous hours per day, be allowed during that time period to take a 30 minute, uninterrupted meal break and one additional uninterrupted 15 minute break. The Board's rationale is explained fully in the Statement of Need and Reasonableness. Minnesota Statutes, section 151.06 Subd. 1 (b), authorizes the Board to adopt rules for carrying out the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 151.

Status and timetable (as of 09/21/2016):

The Board published a Request for Comments (RFC) in the *State Register* on September 28, 2015 ([Volume 40, Number 13, pages 393 - 394](#)). The Board accepted written comments from that date until September 19, 2016. On that date, the Board published a Notice of Hearing in the *State Register*. ([Volume 41, Number 12, pages 355-357](#)). The hearing will be held on October 19, 2016 beginning at 9:30AM at the Office of Administrative Hearings, which is located at 600 North Robert Street, St. Paul, MN. Administrative Law Judge Perry Wilson will preside. Comments should be submitted to Judge Perry as outlined in the Notice of Hearing. The Board requests that a copy of the comments also be sent to the Board's Executive Director. The final Revisor's Draft of the proposed rule, the Statement of Need and Reasonableness, and a copy of the Notice of Hearing are available on the [Board's Web site](#). The Governor's Office has given the Board permission to proceed with the adoption of the rule. Minnesota Management and Budget has reviewed the rule as required by Minn. Stats. §14.131.

Written comments received by the Board prior to September 19, 2016 may be inspected at the office of the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy, which is listed below.

Names of persons who have made written requests for a public hearing. There are no such individuals at this time. Since the Board has scheduled a hearing, it is not anticipated that any person will separately request a hearing.

Date of Adoption. The proposed rule has not been adopted and will not be adopted, if at all, until sometime after the Rule Hearing.

Date the rule was filed with the secretary of state. Since it has not been adopted, the rule has not been filed with the Office of the Secretary of State.

Effective date of the rule. There is no effective date at this time, since the rule has not been adopted.

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Available documents:

Request for Comments

Notice of Hearing

Revisor's Draft of Proposed Rule Changes

Statement of Need and Reasonableness