

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Department of Commerce

Rule No. : Chapter Comm 2

Relating to : Miscellaneous Fee Schedule Changes

1. Description of the objective of the rule.

The objective of the rule is to amend chapter Comm 2. The rule will address inconsistencies and administration problems that have been discovered since the complete update of chapter Comm 2. The rule will not involve a general fee increase in chapter Comm 2.

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

Section 101.19, Stats., requires the Department to fix and collect fees by rule which shall, as closely as possible, equal the cost of providing services such as plan examination and inspections. The Department's fees for those services are contained in chapter Comm 2. Since the last revision to these fees went into effect on September 1, 2000, a number of inconsistencies and clarification issues have been discovered which have caused administration and enforcement problems that have resulted in the Department not being able to collect the required fees. If the inconsistencies and clarification issues in chapter Comm 2 are not addressed, there will continue to be problems with the administration of the chapter and the collection of the required fees.

3. Statutory authority for the rule.

Section 101.19, Stats.

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

The Department estimates that it will take approximately 100 hours to develop this rule. This time includes drafting the rule and processing the rule through public hearings, legislative review and adoption. The Department will assign existing staff to develop the rule. There are no other resources necessary to develop the rule.

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