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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING) amendment of ARM 23.16.102,) ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT 23.16.120, 23.16.402,) 23.16.1716, 23.16.1822,) 23.16.1901, 23.16.2001,) and 23.16.3501 concerning forms) used by the department in) regulating gambling, gambling) applications and licenses,) loans, letters of withdrawal,) machine specifications - bill) acceptors, and promotional games) of chance)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On August 20, 2002, at 9:30 a.m. a public hearing will be held in the auditorium of the Scott Hart Building, 1st Floor, 202 North Roberts, Helena, Montana, to consider the amendment of ARM 23.16.102, 23.16.120, 23.16.402, 23.16.1716, 23.16.1822, 23.16.1901, 23.16.2001, and 23.16.3501 concerning forms used by the department in regulating gambling, gambling applications and licenses, loans, letters of withdrawal, machine specifications bill acceptors, and promotional games of chance.

2. The Department of Justice will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this public hearing or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation, contact the department no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 15, 2002, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Rick Ask, Gambling Control Division, 2550 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 201424, Helena, MT 59620-1424; (406) 444-1971; FAX (406) 444-9157; or email rask@state.mt.us.

3. The rules as proposed to be amended provide as follows, stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined:

23.16.102 APPLICATION FOR GAMBLING LICENSE - LICENSE FEE

(1) through (4) remain the same.

(5) An original and two copies of a<u>A</u>ll required documents must be submitted by the applicant(s) in all new and amended license applications.

AUTH: 23-5-115, MCA IMP: 23-5-115, 23-5-177, MCA

23.16.120 LOANS AND OTHER FORMS OF FINANCING (1) Except as provided in (4), (5), and (6), and (7) of this rule, if a gambling licensee or license applicant proposes to acquire a

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loan or other form of financing from a noninstitutional source for use in his licensed gambling operation or grant a security interest to a noninstitutional source, the department must approve the contract or security interest transfer before any funds from the loan or financing may be received or expended by the licensee or license applicant and before the security interest may be transferred.

(2) through (6) remain the same.

(7) Prior department approval is not required on loans to a licensed entity by an approved (licensed) owner of the entity (shareholder, member, partner) under the following conditions:

(a) the loan is used to meet an obligation of the licensed entity that cannot be met with its existing operating accounts and reserves;

(b) the funds loaned to the licensed entity must be those of the owner. The funds cannot have been borrowed by the owner from any other source;

(c) the loan must be memorialized by an agreement between the licensed entity and owner. The loan agreement must meet the department's evaluation standards;

(d) the borrower and lender's financial records must accurately reflect the transaction; and

(e) any balance due upon renewal not previously reported on license renewal forms must be reported on the license renewal application; and

(f) failure to maintain adequate records of the transaction or source of funds loaned will be considered a violation of this rule.

(7) remains the same but is renumbered (8).

(8) remains the same but is renumbered (9).

AUTH: 23-5-115, MCA IMP: 23-5-115, 23-5-118, 23-5-176, MCA

23.16.402 DEALER LICENSE (1) through (1)(a)(iii) remain the same.

(b) on the back of the license:

(i) the home address, height, weight, eye color, hair color, date of birth, sex, and social security number of the person to whom the license was issued.

(2) remains the same.

AUTH:	23-5-115,	MCA
IMP:	23-5-308,	MCA

23.16.1716 SPORTS TAB GAME SELLER LICENSE (1) through (3) remain the same.

(4) A person licensed under this section <u>rule</u> must comply with all laws and rules of the state of Montana and the department of justice.

AUTH: 23-5-115, MCA IMP: 23-5-115, 23-5-502, 23-5-503, MCA <u>23.16.1822 PERMIT NOT TRANSFERABLE</u> (1) through (5) remain the same.

(6) A completed Letter of Withdrawal (LOW) must be submitted to the department when a permitted machine is removed from play prior to the renewal deadline of each year, June 30. <u>The LOW must be submitted no later than 10 days from the date</u> <u>the machine is removed from play.</u> A LOW form is available upon request from the department. The LOW is not complete unless it is dated and signed by the licensee, and contains all the information and attachments required by the department. The provisions of this rule do not apply to a machine temporarily removed from play for repair service.

(7) Completed LOWs must also be submitted to the department for machines removed from play for the following reasons:

(a) a licensed location is closed for remodeling and machines are out of play for 30 days or more;

(b) a licensed location is opened only seasonally and machines are out of play for 30 days or more; or

(c) the liquor license associated with a licensed location/operator is placed on non-use status and machines are taken out of play for 30 days or more.

(8) In each of the circumstances outlined under (7), the LOW is due within 10 days of machine removal from play. In addition, a new permit will be issued if the machines are placed back in play at the location prior to the end of the fiscal year and no additional permit fee will be charged.

AUTH: 23-5-115, 23-5-605, MCA IMP: 23-5-603, 23-5-605, 23-5-611, 23-5-612, MCA

<u>23.16.1901</u> GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS OF VIDEO GAMBLING <u>MACHINES</u> (1) through (1)(a)(v)(A) remain the same.

(B) the machine may have a machine manufacturer mechanism that accepts cash in the form of bills that do not exceed $\frac{55}{520}$;

(vi) through (3) remain the same.

AUTH: 23-5-605, 23-5-621, MCA

IMP: 23-5-115, 23-5-136, 23-5-602, 23-5-606, 23-5-609, 23-5-610, 23-5-621, 23-5-637, MCA

23.16.2001 MANUFACTURER OF ILLEGAL GAMBLING DEVICES -LICENSE - FEE - REPORTING REQUIREMENTS - INSPECTION OF RECORDS -<u>REPORTS</u> (1) remains the same.

(a) a manufacturer license application, form 17, as the form read on November 3, 1997 April 1, 2002, is incorporated by reference and available from the Gambling Control Division, 2550 Prospect Ave., P.O. Box 201424, Helena, Montana 59620-1424;

(b) through (8) remain the same.

AUTH: 23-5-115, 23-5-152, MCA IMP: 23-5-115, 23-5-611, 23-5-614, 23-5-621, 23-5-625, 23-5-631, MCA

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23.16.3501 DEPARTMENT APPROVAL OF PROMOTIONAL GAMES OF CHANCE, DEVICES OR ENTERPRISES (1) through (2)(a) remain the same.

(b) Payouts for bona fide promotional games of chance, offered by a gambling licensee and/or an on-premises consumption liquor licensee, are subject to the maximum payout limitation for any single element of the authorized gambling enterprise simulated. Payouts for bona fide promotional games of chance offered by any person or entity that are not a gambling or liquor licensee, are not limited by the payout limits for the authorized gambling enterprise simulated.

(3) through (12) remain the same.

AUTH: 23-5-115, MCA IMP: 23-5-112, 23-5-115, 23-5-152, MCA

4. <u>RATIONALE</u>: (a) ARM 23.16.102(5) is being amended to remove the language "An original and two copies of" for the gambling application. The two copies are no longer needed with the combined application form.

(b) ARM 23.16.120(7) is being amended to provide an exception to the non-institutional loan rules requiring disclosure and approval for an owner of a licensed entity so that financial obligations can be met in a timely manner without creating a violation of the rules.

(c) ARM 23.16.402 is being amended to eliminate the requirement that all personal information be displayed on the front of the dealer license.

(d) ARM 23.16.1716 is being amended because this rule incorrectly uses the word "section" instead of rule.

(e) ARM 23.16.1822(6) is being amended because the current language only states that a completed LOW must be submitted to the department when a permitted machine is removed from play prior to the renewal deadline of each year (June 30). Licensees and route operators send in LOW's when they want as long as it is prior to June 30. For consistency a reasonable deadline needs to be required.

(f) ARM 23.16.1901 is being amended to implement the Gaming Advisory Council recommendation to allow bill acceptors to accept bills up to a \$20 denomination.

(g) ARM 23.16.2001 is being amended to update forms used by the department in regulating gambling that have been incorporated by reference in earlier adopted rules.

(h) ARM 23.16.3501 is being amended to have the prize limits on promotional games only apply to gambling and liquor licensees, and not other businesses such as radio stations or newspapers.

5. Concerned persons may submit their data, views or arguments either orally or in writing at the hearing. Written data, views or arguments may also be submitted to Rick Ask, Gambling Control Division, 2550 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 201424, Helena, MT 59620-1424. Any comments must be received no

later than August 22, 2002.

6. Ali Sheppard, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, Legal Services Division, has been designated to preside over and conduct the hearing.

The Department of Justice maintains a list 7. of interested persons who wish to receive notices of rulemaking actions proposed by this agency. Persons who wish to have their name added to the list shall make a written request which includes the name and mailing address of the person to receive notices and specifies that the person wishes to receive notices of rules regarding the Crime Control Division, the Central Services Division, the Forensic Sciences Division, the Gambling Control Division, the Highway Patrol Division, the Law Enforcement Academy, the Division of Criminal Investigation, the Legal Services Division, the Motor Vehicle Division, the Justice Information Systems Division, or any combination thereof. Such written request may be mailed or delivered to Ali Sheppard, 215 North Sanders, P.O. Box 201401, Helena, MT 59620-1401, faxed to the office at (406) 444-3549, ATTN: Ali Sheppard, e-mailed to asheppard@state.mt.us, or may be made by completing a request form at any rules hearing held by the Department of Justice.

8. The bill sponsor notice requirements of 2-4-302, MCA do not apply.

By: <u>/s/ Mike McGrath</u> MIKE MCGRATH, Attorney General Department of Justice

> <u>/s/ Ali Sheppard</u> ALI SHEPPARD, Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the proposed)	NOTICE OF PUBLIC
amendment of ARM 8.32.301, 8.32.305,)	HEARING ON PROPOSED
8.32.306, 8.32.402, 8.32.405,)	AMENDMENT, ADOPTION,
8.32.412, 8.32.413, 8.32.1501,)	AND REPEAL
8.32.1502, 8.32.1505, 8.32.1506,)	
8.32.1509, 8.32.1510, the proposed)	
adoption of NEW RULES I through IV,)	
related to probationary licenses,)	
standards of practice for advanced)	
practice registered nurses,)	
standards related to the advanced)	
practice of registered nurses, and)	
standards related to nurses as)	
members of the nursing profession,)	
and the proposed repeal of ARM)	
8.32.1507, method of referral,)	
all pertaining to nursing matters)	

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On Friday, August 23, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., a public hearing will be held in the fourth floor conference room of the old Federal Building, 301 South Park Avenue, Helena, Montana to consider the proposed amendment, adoption, and repeal of the above-stated rules.

2. The Department of Labor and Industry will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this public hearing or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation, contact the Board of Nursing no later than 5:00 p.m., August 16, 2002, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Jill Caldwell, Board of Nursing, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513; telephone (406) 841-2342, Montana Relay 1-800-253-4091; TDD (406) 444-2978; facsimile (406) 841-2343; e-mail dlibsdnur@state.mt.us.

3. The rules proposed to be amended provide as follows: (stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined)

<u>8.32.301</u> NURSE PRACTITIONER PRACTICE (1) Nurse practitioner practice means the <u>independent and/or</u> <u>interdependent</u> management of primary <u>and/or acute</u> health care of individuals, families and communities including the ability to:

(a) assess assessing the health status of individuals and families using methods appropriate to the client population and area of practice such as health history taking,

physical examination, and assessing developmental health problems;

(b) institute instituting and provide providing continuity of health care to clients, including:

(i) ordering durable medical equipment, treatments and modalities;

(ii) receiving and interpreting results of diagnostic procedures;

(iii) making medical and nursing diagnoses; and

(iv) working work with clients to insure their understanding of and compliance with therapeutic regimes;

(c) promote promoting wellness and disease prevention programs;

(d) recognize recognizing when to refer clients to a physician or other health care provider;

(e) provide providing instruction and counseling to individuals, families and groups in the areas of health promotion and maintenance, including involving such persons in planning for their health care; and

(f) work working in collaboration with other health care providers and agencies to provide and, where appropriate, coordinate services to individuals and families.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to **REASON:** The Board has been criticized for not amend this rule. clearly defining scopes of practice, and frequently, the Board needs a clearer definition of the nurse practitioner's practice in discipline cases involving practice issues. The Board is proposing this rule change to clarify the scope of the nurse practitioner. The rule also matches educational and clinical preparation required for licensure. The rule change will affect all nurse practitioners. Although ordering medical equipment, treatments and modalities, receiving and interpreting results of diagnostic procedures is inherent in nurse practitioner practice, this amendment will clarify that it is within the scope.

8.32.305 EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER QUALIFICATIONS APPLICABLE TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING (1) and (1)(a) remain the same.

(b) For original recognition after June 30, 1995, a master's degree from an accredited nursing education program, or a certificate from an accredited post master's program as defined in (1)(a), which prepares the nurse for the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> recognition applied for <u>sought</u>; and individual certification from a board-approved certifying body. Advanced practice registered nurses <u>APRNs</u> who completed an accredited advanced practice registered nurses <u>APRNs</u> who completed an accredited advanced practice registered nurses <u>APRNs</u> who completed an accredited nurse practice registered nurse <u>APRNs</u> who completed an accredited nurse practice registered nurses <u>APRNs</u> who completed an accredited nurse nurse program and obtained national certification prior to June 30, 1995, may be recognized in Montana.

(2) Applicants for recognition as a clinical nurse specialist <u>CNS</u> shall possess a master's degree in nursing from an accredited nursing education program which prepares the nurse for a clinical nurse specialist <u>CNS</u> practice, and individual certification from a board-approved certifying body.

(3) Applicants for recognition as a psychiatric CNS shall possess a master's degree in nursing from an accredited nursing education program which prepares the nurse for a psychiatric CNS practice. If the psychiatric CNS plans to diagnose and treat, proof of education related to diagnosing, treating and managing psychiatric clients shall be provided. This education must integrate pharmacology and clinical practice.

(a) After July 1, 2005, the board will not recognize newly certified psychiatric CNSs who provide medical diagnoses and treatments. Individuals intending to practice in this manner will be required to be certified as psychiatric nurse practitioners.

(4) For approval in a subspecialty practice setting, the licensee shall submit documentation of, or a plan for, achievement of competency in the subspecialty area.

(3) (5) Applicants for recognition in any advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> area, shall be <u>are</u> subject to the provisions of 37-8-441, MCA.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

REASON: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. Section 37-8-202(5)(a), MCA, gives the Board the authority to define the educational requirements and other qualifications applicable to recognition of advanced practice registered nurses. The amendment is necessary because an increasing number of generalist APRNs are choosing to practice in a subspecialty area and the Board needs to assure the public that this individual is a safe practitioner. Since an exam may not exist to test such competence, the individual is being required to document competency by showing preceptorship, collaborative practice, and continuing education in the area of specialty. Subsection (3) is necessary now to fill a gap that exists in proving psychiatric CNSs have the educational background necessary to diagnose and treat clients. After July 1, 2005, proof of this background will be shown through the requirement that all psychiatric CNSs take the nurse practitioner exam. Subsection (3)(a) is needed now as the advance practice of psychiatric nursing is changing and the necessary clinical training is also evolving. The Board needs to assure the public that these licensees are competent to diagnose and treat clients. This rule will affect all future clinical nurse specialists in Montana in some way.

<u>8.32.306</u> APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION (1) Upon application a person licensed under the provisions of 37-8-406, MCA, and meeting the requirements set forth under the educational requirements and other qualifications applicable to advanced practice registered nursing shall be granted recognition and shall have <u>his/her</u> the registered nurse renewal certificate also designate <u>his/her</u> the licensee's area of advanced practice.

(2) remains the same.

(a) completed application for recognition form provided by the board;. The application will be kept on file for one year. If the applicant fails to complete the requirements for application within one year, a new application will be required;

(b) through (g) remain the same.

(3) remains the same.

AUTH: 37-1-131, 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-1-134, 37-8-202, 37-8-431, MCA

REASON: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. The Board of Nursing receives many individuals applications from who do not follow the application process to its end. Many decide they do not want to move to Montana, and some decide not to take the certifying exam or NCLEX. The result is an abundance of partially completed applications, which not only consume physical and electronic resources, but also slows the licensure system. By limiting the time an application can be active to one year, the system will be more efficient and space will be saved. The rule change will affect all new nursing licensees in Montana.

<u>8.32.402 LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION</u> (1) through (3) remain the same.

(4) The application for licensure by examination and the examination fee shall be submitted to the board office. The application will be kept on file for one year. If the applicant fails to complete the requirements for application within one year, a new application will be required.

(5) remains the same.

(6) A passing score on the appropriate NCLEX examination shall be required for licensure as a professional or practical nurse. The passing score is set by the national council of state boards of nursing's panel of content experts The national council of state boards of nursing's panel of content experts determines the passing score.

(7) through (12) remain the same.

(13) The candidate's examination results will be maintained in his/her the application file in the bureau of professional and occupational licensing, with the department of commerce.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-406, 37-8-416, MCA

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The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to REASON: The Board of Nursing receives many amend this rule. individuals applications from who do not follow the application process to its end. Many decide they do not want to move to Montana, and some decide not to take the certifying The result is an abundance of partially exam or NCLEX. completed applications, which not only consume physical and electronic resources, but also slows the licensure system. By limiting the time an application can be active to one year, the system will be more efficient and space will be saved. The rule change will affect all new nursing licensees in Montana.

<u>8.32.405 LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT</u> (1) remains the same.

(a) a completed application including the following identifiers:

(i) a picture, social security number, birthdate, and documentation of name change;

(ii) The application will be kept on file for one year. If the applicant fails to complete the requirements for application within one year, a new application will be required;

(b) through (g) remain the same.

(h) Practical nurse applicants shall present evidence of having passed a licensure examination as follows:

(i) 350 on the state board test pool examination for practical nurses τ_i or

(ii) a minimum scaled score of 350 on a NCLEX-PN (national council licensure examination for practical nurses) examination taken prior to September, 1988_{τ_i} or

(iii) a passing score on a NCLEX-PN examination taken after September, 1988; and

(i) remains the same.

(2) through (4) remain the same.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-1-304, MCA

REASON: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. The Board of Nursing receives many applications from individuals who do not follow the application process to its end. Many decide they do not want to move to Montana, and some decide not to take the certifying exam or NCLEX. The result is an abundance of partially completed applications, which not only consume physical and electronic resources, but also slows the licensure system. $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{v}$ limiting the time an application can be active to one year, the system will be more efficient and space will be saved. The rule change will affect all new nursing licensees in Montana.

<u>8.32.412 INACTIVE STATUS</u> (1) through (3) remain the same.

(4) An APRN must also hold a registered nurse license.

(5) An APRN may request inactive status if the APRN's RN license is either active or inactive.

(6) To reactivate an inactive APRN license, the APRN shall submit proof of 20 continuing education units obtained within the 12 month period preceding reactivation.

(a) If prescriptive authority is requested, an additional five continuing education units are required in pharmacology or pharmaceutical management.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-431, MCA

REASON: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. This change is necessary because currently, an APRN does not have the option of an inactive license. The APRN who leaves the state must either renew the license each year or allow the license to lapse. If the license lapses, and the APRN wishes to return to Montana, the reapplication process becomes quite similar to the initial application. Several APRNs have requested inactive status over the past few years, and the Board sees this as a way to encourage APRNs to The continuing education return to Montana to practice. requirements help the Board to assure the public that the licensees have maintained competency. The rule affects any APRN who wants to have an inactive license. The office receives 2 to 5 requests a year.

<u>8.32.413 CONDUCT OF NURSES</u> (1) and (1)(a) remain the same.

(b) All nurses shall notify the board office of any change in address within 10 days of the change. Failure to notify the board of an address change may result in a fine.

(2) Unprofessional conduct, for purposes of defining 37-1-307, MCA, in addition to unprofessional conduct listed at 37-1-136 37-1-316, MCA, the following being unique, is determined by the board to mean behavior (acts, omissions, knowledge, and practices) which fails to conform to the accepted standards of the nursing profession and which could jeopardize the health and welfare of the people and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) through (t) remain the same.

AUTH: $\frac{37-1-136}{37-1-316}$, 37-1-319, 37-8-202, MCA IMP: $\frac{37-1-136}{37-1-316}$, 37-1-319, 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. The new subsection (1)(b) is necessary because the failure of the licensee to notify the Board office of an address change is very costly and time consuming to the Board office. Board staff must reprocess, or at the very least, rehandle all returned mail. In the case of license renewals, the licensee must notify the Board office of the change, in writing, and then the mail must be resent. This is costly for both the licensee and the office. The delay may also result in a licensee not being able to work, if the license was not renewed on time. This is a serious issue and may even result in further fines or loss of the ability to practice. This rule affects all nurses who change their address. Approximately 1500 nurses change their addresses annually.

The change in subsection (2) is a change to correct an incorrect citation. It originally should have been 37-1-316, MCA, but was mistyped as 37-1-136, MCA. It will not affect anyone.

8.32.1501 PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES NURSE PRACTITIONERS, CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHESTISTS AND CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIVES (1) This subchapter will be known and may be cited as the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> prescriptive authority rules.

(2) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> granted prescriptive authority by the board of nursing may prescribe and dispense drugs pursuant to applicable state and federal laws.

(a) Only NPs, CRNAs, and CNMs with unencumbered licenses may hold prescriptive authority.

(b) All CRNAs are required to have prescriptive authority.

(3) Prescriptive authority permits the advanced practice registered nurse APRN to receive pharmaceutical samples, prescribe, dispense and administer prescription drugs in the prevention of illness, the restoration of health and/or the maintenance of health in accordance with 37-2-104, MCA.

(4) (a) The board of nursing will provide the boards of pharmacy ad medical examiners with an annual list of advanced practice registered nurses with prescribing authority and their titles.

(b) The board of nursing will promptly forward to the boards of pharmacy and medical examiners the names and titles of advanced practice registered nurses added to or deleted from the annual list.

(c) The boards of pharmacy and medical examiners will be notified in a timely manner when the prescriptive authority of an advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> is terminated, suspended or reinstated.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes to amend this rule to change the title to clarify who is governed by this rule.

8.32.1502 DEFINITIONS (1) remains the same.

(2) "Advanced practice registered nurse" or "APRN" is a registered nurse recognized by the board to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse pursuant to 37-8-202(5)(a), MCA, and ARM 8.32.305. This term is interchangeable with the term "nurse specialist", as used in 37-8-202(5)(b), MCA, with the additional category of clinical nurse specialists.

(a) There are four types of APRNs:

(i) nurse practitioner (NP);

(ii) certified nurse midwife (CNM);

(iii) certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA); and

(iv) clinical nurse specialist (CNS).

(b) Only an APRN recognized by the board may use the initials indicating APRN licensure or the title nurse specialist.

(3) "Certifying body" is a national certifying organization which examines and validates credentials of advanced practice registered nurses uses psychometrically sound examinations to examine and validate competency of APRNs and which has been approved by the board of nursing as a certifying agency for advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> recognition. A list of certifying agencies approved by the board of nursing is available from the board office.

(4) "Committee" refers to the prescriptive authority <u>APRN</u> committee, as defined established in ARM 8.32.1501 8.32.1503.

(5) "Continuing education" is that education either provided or approved by an academic institution of higher learning or a recognized certifying body. One continuing education unit equals fifty minutes of instruction.

(6) "Department" means the department of labor and industry as provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part 17, MCA.

(5) (7) "Drug" is a substance defined by 37-7-101(6), MCA.

(6) (8) "Prescription" is an order for a drug, as defined by 37-7-101(13), MCA, or any medicine, devices or treatments, including controlled substances listed in schedule II-V, as defined by federal law in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, section 1306.

(9) "Peer" means a licensed independent practitioner whose credentials and practice encompass the APRN's scope and setting of practice. If the APRN has prescriptive authority, the peer shall also have prescriptive authority.

(10) "Physician reviewer" means a licensed physician whose credentials and practice encompass the APRN's scope and setting of practice.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. The change to (2) is necessary to reduce confusion created when non-APRNs use the term "nurse specialist," which is not recognized by the Board, in contrast with the Board-approved designation of "clinical nurse specialist." The public may not be aware of the difference between the two titles. Subsection (3) clarifies that the Board will only accept APRN certification by certifying bodies that use sound examination methods. Definitions for "peer" and "physician reviewer" are necessary to eliminate confusion as to who qualifies to review a licensee's quality assurance plan. Additional housekeeping amendments and the abbreviation "APRN" are implemented to streamline and simplify the rules.

<u>8.32.1505</u> PRESCRIBING PRACTICES (1) through (2) remain the same.

(a) name, title, address and phone number of the advanced practice registered nurse who is prescribing₇;

(b) name and address of client;

(c) date of prescription 7:

(d) the full name of the drug, dosage, route, amount to be dispensed, and directions for its use_{τ_i}

(e) number of refills,;

(f) expiration date of prescriptive authority,

(g)(f) signature of prescriber on written prescription; and

(h) remains the same, but is renumbered (g).

(3) through (5) remain the same.

(6) An advanced practice registered nurse with prescriptive authority may administer local anesthetics.

(7) (6) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> with prescriptive authority who also possesses inpatient care privileges will <u>shall</u> practice pursuant to a written agreement between the agency and the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> which is consistent with the rules, regulations and guidelines set forth in 37-8-202(5) and 37-2-104, MCA, and ARM 8.32.301 through 8.32.303, and this subchapter. The advanced practice registered nurse will file the written agreement and revision thereof with the board of nursing.

(8) (7) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> with prescriptive authority from the board of nursing will comply with the requirements of 37-2-104, MCA.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to REASON: amend this rule. It is not necessary for the licensee to obtain the patient's address as this is done by the pharmacy. The change in (2)(d) is necessary to conform to standard acceptable prescribing practices. (2)(f) is seen as unnecessary since all prescriptive authority expires on the same day of the same year. (6) is not necessary as all nurses authorized to administer local anesthetics. are The abbreviation "APRN" is being implemented throughout in an effort to further streamline and simplify the rules.

8.32.1506 SPECIAL LIMITATIONS RELATED TO THE PRESCRIBING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (1) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> will shall not prescribe controlled substances for self or for members of the advanced practice registered nurse's <u>APRN's</u> immediate family.

(2) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> will <u>shall</u> not provide controlled substances or prescription drugs for other than therapeutic purposes.

(3) A prescription for schedule II drugs will shall not exceed the quantity necessary for a three-month period allowable by federal drug enforcement administration regulations. Prescriptions for schedule III-V drugs will not exceed the quantity necessary for a three-month period.

(4) An advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> will <u>shall</u> not prescribe refills of controlled substances unless the refill prescription is in writing.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to REASON: amend this rule. The new language proposed in (3) is necessary to assure the Board that licensees meet all federal requirements for controlled substances. The language proposed for repeal in (3) is not a DEA requirement, and in many cases, it causes a delay for patients to get renewed prescriptions. The Board of Pharmacy supports this change. The change will affect all APRNs with prescriptive authority who write prescriptions for scheduled drugs. The abbreviation "APRN" is being implemented throughout in an effort to further streamline and simplify the rules.

8.32.1509 TERMINATION OF PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY

(1) through (1)(c) remain the same.

(d) the advanced practice registered nurse APRN has:

(i) prescribed outside the advanced practice registered nurse's <u>APRN's</u> scope of practice;

(ii) has prescribed for other than the rapeutic purposes, ; or

(iii) has otherwise violated the provisions of the prescriptive authority rules contained in this subchapter; or

(e) the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> has violated any state or federal law or regulations applicable to prescriptions;

(f) the advanced practice registered nurse has violated the nurse practice act or rules.

(2) remains the same.

(3) The board of nursing will promptly notify the board of pharmacy of any termination of prescriptive authority.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA <u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to amend this rule. Previous rules address violations of the nurse practice act or rules. (3) Notification of the Board of Pharmacy is in a previous rule. These changes will not affect any licensees. They are necessary to reduce redundancy in the current rules. The abbreviation "APRN" is being implemented throughout in an effort to further streamline and simplify the rules.

<u>8.32.1510 RENEWAL OF PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY</u> (1) The advanced practice registered nurse's <u>APRN's</u> prescriptive authority will expire on December 31 of even numbered years.

(2) To renew prescriptive authority, the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> will submit to the board of nursing:

(a) a completed renewal application and a non-refundable fee_{7:}

(b) documentation of accredited pharmacological continuing education completed during the two-year period immediately preceding the renewal application. Continuing education will be from:

(i) study provided by advanced formal education; or

(ii) continuing education seminars or programs approved by certifying bodies. ; and

(iii) the majority of the course work must concern the study of pharmaceutical medications and not herbal or complementary therapies; and

(c) A proof of a minimum of six 10 contact hours of continuing education in pharmacology or pharmacology management is required during the two-year period immediately preceding the effective date of the prescriptive authority renewal. The continuing education will be by a professional accrediting organization approved by the board of nursing and a <u>A</u> minimum of two four hours will must be face-to-face interaction. The majority of the course work must concern the study of pharmaceutical medications and not herbal or complementary therapies.

(3) These continuing education units are in addition to those required to renew the general APRN license.

(3) (4) If an advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> fails to renew prescriptive authority prior to the expiration date of that authority, the advanced practice registered nurse's <u>APRN's</u> prescriptive authority will expire. The advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> may not prescribe until renewal is completed and the advanced practice registered nurse <u>APRN</u> has received written notice that the prescriptive authority has been reinstated.

(a) The board of nursing will promptly notify the board of pharmacy of any expiration or other termination of prescriptive authority.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to REASON: amend this rule. These changes are necessary to clarify the required elements for the renewal of prescriptive authority. Because the Board will now require continuing education for all APRNs, the Board will clearly distinguish the two types of necessary continuing education. The Board feels that since the majority of prescriptions are written for pharmaceutical the majority of required continuing education should also focus on pharmaceutical medicine. medicine, coursework Notification of the Board of Pharmacy is in a previous rule. The rule will affect all 325 APRNs with prescriptive authority. The abbreviation "APRN" is being implemented throughout in an effort to further streamline and simplify the rules.

4. The proposed new rules provide as follows:

<u>NEW RULE I PROBATIONARY LICENSES</u> (1) Any nurse working pursuant to a probationary license must work under the direct supervision of another nurse or physician as follows:

(a) the supervisor for an LPN on probation must be an RN, APRN or physician with a current, unencumbered license;

(b) the supervisor for an RN on probation must be an RN, APRN or physician with a current, unencumbered license; and

(c) the supervisor for an APRN on probation must be an APRN or a physician with a current, unencumbered license.

AUTH: 37-1-136, 37-1-319, 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-1-136, 37-1-319, 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to propose this rule. NEW RULE I is necessary to protect the public. Adequate supervision is required of licensees on probation since the reason they are on probation relates to their ability to render safe nursing care. For the same reason, an individual whose practice is not on probation must perform the supervision. The public must be assured that the probationary licensee is being adequately supervised from a person who does not have negative practice issues. This change will affect all licensees who are on probation. Currently 45 nurses are on probation.

NEW RULE II PURPOSE OF STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE (1) The purpose of the standards is to:

(a) establish minimal acceptable levels of safe effective practice for the APRN; and

(b) serve as a reference for the board to evaluate safe and effective advanced practice nursing care.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA <u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to propose this rule. The Board proposes NEW RULE II to explain the role and responsibilities of the APRN. Before this, the APRNs fell within the RN section of Subchapter 14. This new rule will define the individual criteria that apply only to APRNs. This is necessary now because the Board office is seeing an increase in the number of APRNs, and clear definitions of their roles and responsibilities will help the licensees and the public understand what can be expected of all APRNs.

NEW RULE III STANDARDS RELATED TO THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE'S RESPONSIBILITY TO APPLY THE NURSING PROCESS

(1) The APRN shall:

(a) perform and document thorough and comprehensive, or focused assessment of clients by:

(i) collecting, synthesizing and analyzing data, utilizing nursing principles and nursing process at an advanced level; and

(ii) utilizing evidence-based research data in nursing practice;

(b) establish and document an appropriate diagnosis, treatment plan and strategy of care based on the assessment, including:

(i) individual client needs;

(ii) priorities of care;

(iii) collaborations when appropriate;

(iv) method by which treatment will be evaluated;

(v) plan of action for appropriate follow-up;

(c) provide and document expert guidance and education when working with clients, families and other members of the health team;

(d) manage and document all aspects of the client's health status within the APRN's competencies, scope and practice; and

(e) document appropriate referrals when a client's health status and needs exceed the APRN's competencies and/or scope of practice.

AUTH: 37-1-301, 37-8-102, 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-1-131, 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to propose this rule. The Board proposes NEW RULE III to explain the role and responsibilities of the APRN. Before this, the APRNs fell within the RN section of Subchapter 14. This new rule will define the individual criteria that apply only to APRNs. This is necessary now because the Board office is seeing an increase in the number of APRNs, and clear definitions of their roles and responsibilities will help the licensees and the public understand what can be expected of all APRNs. <u>NEW RULE IV STANDARDS RELATED TO THE ADVANCED PRACTICE</u> <u>REGISTERED NURSE'S RESPONSIBILITIES AS A MEMBER OF THE NURSING</u> PROFESSION (1) The APRN shall:

(a) adhere to the same standards as those required in ARM 8.32.1404 for the registered nurse;

(b) possess the requisite knowledge, judgement and skill to safely and competently perform any function that the APRN undertakes;

(c) have on file in the board office:

(i) a method of quality assurance used to evaluate the practice of the APRN; and

(ii) a referral process including licensed physicians and a method to document referral in the client records;

(d) immediately file with the board of nursing any proposed change in the method for referral, client record documentation or quality assurance method. Any change will be subject to approval by the board of nursing;

(e) in even-numbered years, submit a declaration made under penalty of perjury to the board office documenting the following:

(i) quality assurance plan and reviewer(s);

(ii) acknowledgement of scope of practice;

(iii) continuing education; and

(iv) practice site; and

(f) submit proof of recertification within 30 days of its expiration.

AUTH: 37-1-301, 37-8-102, 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-1-131, 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to propose this rule. The Board proposes NEW RULE IV to explain the role and responsibilities of the APRN. Before this, the APRNs fell within the RN section of Subchapter 14. This new rule will define the individual criteria that apply only to APRNs. This is necessary now because the Board office is seeing an increase in the number of APRNs, and clear definitions of their roles and responsibilities will help the licensees and the public understand what can be expected of all APRNs.

5. <u>8.32.1507 METHOD OF REFERRAL</u> a rule proposed to be repealed, is found at ARM page 8-1021.4.

AUTH: 37-8-202, MCA IMP: 37-8-202, MCA

<u>REASON</u>: The Board proposes there is reasonable necessity to repeal this rule because the initial APRN license application and renewal affidavit will solicit this information, thus making this rule unnecessary. The Board feels this will streamline and simplify the process, and assure the licensees' compliance with notifying the Board office of any changes. 6. Concerned persons may present their data, views or arguments either orally or in writing at the hearing. Written data, views or arguments may also be submitted by mail to:

Jill Caldwell Board of Nursing Department of Labor and Industry P.O. Box 200513 Helena, Montana 59620-0513

by facsimile to (406) 841-2343, or by e-mail to dlibsdnur@state.mt.us and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., August 23, 2002.

7. An electronic copy of this Notice of Public Hearing is available through the Department and Board's site on the World Wide Web at http://www.discoveringmontana.com/dli/nur, in the Rules Notices section. The Department strives to make the electronic copy of this Notice of Public Hearing conform to the official version of the Notice, as printed in the Montana Administrative Register, but advises all concerned persons that in the event of a discrepancy between the official printed text of the Notice and the electronic version the Notice, only the official printed text will be of In addition, although the Department strives to considered. keep its website accessible at all times, concerned persons should be aware that the website may be unavailable during some periods, due to system maintenance or technical problems, and that a person's technical difficulties in accessing or posting to the e-mail address does not excuse late submission of comments.

8. The Board of Nursing maintains a list of interested persons who wish to receive notices of rulemaking actions proposed by this Board. Persons who wish to have their name added to the list shall make a written request which includes the name and mailing address of the person to receive notices and specifies that the person wishes to receive notices regarding all Board of Nursing administrative rulemaking proceedings or other administrative proceedings. Such written request may be mailed or delivered to the Board of Nursing, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513, faxed to the office at (406) 841-2305, e-mailed to dlibsdnur@state.mt.us or may be made by completing a request form at any rules hearing held by the agency.

9. Darcee Moe, attorney, has been designated to preside over and conduct this hearing.

10. The bill sponsor notice requirements of 2-4-302, MCA, do not apply.

11. The Board of Nursing will meet on October 10, 2002, in Helena to consider the comments made by the public, the

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proposed responses to those comments, and take final action on the proposed amendments, new rules and repeal. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Board's regular meeting. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and listen to the Board's deliberations, but the Board cannot accept any comments concerning the proposed amendments, new rules or repeal beyond the August 23, 2002, deadline.

> BOARD OF NURSING JACK BURKE, RN, CHAIRMAN

- By: <u>/s/ WENDY J. KEATING</u> Wendy J. Keating, Commissioner DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY
- By: <u>/s/ KEVIN BRAUN</u> Kevin Braun Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State, July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the proposed) NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING adoption of NEW RULE I,) ON PROPOSED ADOPTION related to fire protection) system shop drawings)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On August 16, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., a public hearing will be held in room 443, old Federal Building, 301 South Park Avenue, Helena, Montana to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

The Department of Labor and Industry will make 2. reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this public hearing or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. Ιf you require an accommodation, contact the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors no later than 5:00 p.m., on August 12, 2002, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Todd Boucher, Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513; telephone (406) 841-2368; Montana Relay 1-800-253-4091; TDD (406) 444-2978; facsimile (406) 841-2309; email dlibsdpels@state.mt.us.

3. The proposed new rule provides as follows:

<u>NEW RULE I FIRE PROTECTION SHOP DRAWINGS</u> (1) When fire protection shop drawings are used to finalize engineering concepts:

(a) The licensee (a licensed professional engineer) shall provide the design concept adequate for shop drawing preparation by others. The design concept for sprinkler systems must include as a minimum:

(i) the density and water flow pressure requirements for the sprinkler system design;

(ii) the classification of commodities to be protected; and

(iii) confirmation of adequate water supply.

(b) A properly qualified technician or licensee shall execute the design concept and prepare shop drawings. Shop drawings for sprinkler systems must include as a minimum:

(i) layout of risers;

(ii) cross-mains;

(iii) branch lines;

(iv) sprinkler heads;

(v) sizing of pipe;

(vi) hanger locations; and

(vii) hydraulic calculations, in accordance with the design concepts.

(2) The licensee should not seal the shop drawings. A letter of review must be prepared indicating the licensee's acceptance of the shop drawings as being in accordance with the design concept. Such review letter may be made available to appropriate jurisdictional authorities and interested parties.

(3) For the purposes of (1)(b), a "qualified technician" is a person who has at least one of the following qualifications:

(a) a national institute for certification in engineering technologies (NICET) level III technician certification;

(b) a NICET level IV technician certification; or

(c) 20 years experience in the field of automatic sprinkler layout in Montana, with the end of the 20-year experience term terminating February 1, 2002.

(4) A licensee shall not be required to provide design concepts or letter of review for:

(a) projects exempt from building code requirements for fire protection;

(b) remodeling involving less than 100 sprinklers to an existing fire protection system, provided there is no change in occupancy classification, storage configuration, or other change in occupancy use that would require design concept modifications; or

(c) routine maintenance, when accomplished in accordance with national fire protection association (NFPA) standard #25, "Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems."

(5) Information regarding the organizations referred to in this rule can be obtained from:

(a) NICET, 1420 King Street, Alexandria VA, 23314, or via the internet at http://nicet.org; and

(b) NFPA, PO Box 9101, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02269-9101, or via the internet at http://www.nfpa.org/Home/index.asp.

AUTH: 37-67-202, MCA IMP: 37-67-101, MCA

There is reasonable necessity to adopt proposed NEW **REASON:** RULE I in response to numerous inquiries and confusion expressed by the public and members of the engineering profession. NEW RULE I clarifies the responsibility of the professional engineer and the layout technician, and their respective roles in the design of fire protection systems. This rule clarifies the difference between design concepts as established by licensed professional engineers and shop or layout drawings prepared by others. Creation of the design concept in fire protection system design falls within the definition of the "practice of engineering" provided by section 37-67-101, MCA. The Board notes that NEW RULE I is a result of a collaborative effort among the Board, professional engineers, layout technicians, and fire sprinkler installers.

4. Concerned persons may present their data, views or arguments either orally or in writing at the hearing. Written

data, views or arguments may also be submitted to the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513, by facsimile to (406) 841-2305, or by e-mail to dlibsdpels@state.mt.us, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., August 23, 2002.

An electronic copy of this Notice of Public Hearing is 5. available through the Department's site on the World Wide Web at http://discoveringmontana.com/dli/bsd under the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors rule notice section. The Department strives to make the electronic copy of this Notice conform to the official version of the Notice, as printed the Montana Administrative Register, but advises in all concerned persons that in the event of a discrepancy between the official printed text of the Notice and the electronic version of the Notice, only the official printed text will be In addition, although the Department strives to considered. keep its website accessible at all times, concerned persons should be aware that the website may be unavailable during some periods, due to system maintenance or technical problems, and that a person's technical difficulties in accessing or posting to the e-mail address does not excuse late submission of comments.

6. The Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors maintains a list of interested persons who wish to receive notices of rulemaking actions proposed by this board. Persons who wish to have their name added to the list shall make a written request which includes the name and mailing address of the person to receive notices and specifies that the person wishes to receive notices regarding all Board of Professional and Land Surveyors administrative Engineers rulemaking proceedings or other administrative proceedings. Such written request may be mailed or delivered to the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513, faxed to the office at (406) 841-2309, e-mailed to dlibsdpels@state.mt.us or may be made by completing a request form at any rules hearing held by the agency.

7. Lon Mitchell, attorney, has been designated to preside over and conduct this hearing.

8. The bill sponsor notice requirements of 2-4-302, MCA, do not apply.

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS STEVE WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN

/s/ KEVIN BRAUNBy:/s/ WENDY J. KEATINGKevin BraunWendy J. Keating, CommissionerRule ReviewerDEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY

Certified to the Secretary of State, July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the Matter of the Proposed)	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Amendment of ARM 38.2.5007)	ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT
and 38.2.5008 Pertaining)	
to Protective Orders and)	
Protection of Confidential)	
Information)	

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On September 10, 2002, at 1:30 p.m., a public hearing will be held in the Bollinger Room, Public Service Commission (PSC) offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, to consider the amendment of ARM 38.2.5007 and 38.2.5008.

The PSC will make reasonable accommodations for persons 2. with disabilities who wish to participate in this public hearing or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation contact the PSC no later than 5:00 p.m., September 3, 2002, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Rhonda Simmons, PSC Secretary, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601, telephone number (406) 444-6170, TTD number 444-6199, fax number (406) 444-7618, (406) e-mail rsimmons@state.mt.us.

3. The rules proposed to be amended provide as follows, stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined:

38.2.5007 PROTECTIVE ORDER -- REQUESTS AND, TIMING OF REQUESTS, AND PROCEDURE (1) In general, information will be designated confidential information only upon request by a provider. It is the responsibility of the provider or other person asserting a right to protection of information to commission of specifically advise the the claim to confidentiality and to request, by motion prior to submitting the information, that the commission designate the information as confidential.

(2) Prior to requesting a protective order, the provider must make a good faith effort to thoroughly verify that all information claimed to be confidential is a bona fide trade secret, a matter of constitutionally-protected privacy, or otherwise legally protectible.

(3) The motion for protective order must comply with commission procedural rules on <u>format of</u> motions in general, but need not include a proposed protective order., and must also include:

(a) an identification of the person to whom commission and party communications may be made in regard to the information in issue;

(b) an identification, item-by-item or by category of like

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items, of the information for which protection is requested; and (c) the rationale, including the pertinent facts and law applicable, demonstrating that protection is justified.

(4) The motion for protective order must be thorough but brief and must include:

(a) an identification of the person, including information allowing that person to be readily contacted (e.g., phone number), to whom communications from commission staff, parties, and interested persons may be made in regard to the information for which protection is requested and the bases for protection;

(b) a complete and specific identification, item by item or by category of items which are alike, of all information for which protection is requested;

(c) a complete and specific factual basis, including a thorough identification and explanation of the specific facts, supported by affidavit where necessary, supporting protection of the information for which protection is requested; and

(d) a complete and specific legal basis, including but not limited to a thorough identification and explanation of the specific elements of trade secret, constitutionally protected privacy, or other lawful basis for protection where applicable, explaining why the information for which protection is requested is lawfully entitled to protection.

(5) The commission may rule on a request for protective order or may notice a request for protective order for comment or hearing.

(4)(6) In the interests of preventing delays in proceedings, the commission encourages providers to make requests for protection of confidential information at the earliest possible time in a proceeding, including in anticipation of a proceeding, if the provider has reason to believe that confidential information will be submitted or is likely to be requested in the proceeding.

AUTH: 69-3-103, MCA IMP: 69-3-105, MCA

<u>38.2.5008 PROTECTIVE ORDER -- ISSUANCE, RECONSIDERATION,</u> CHALLENGE TO CONFIDENTIALITY, INTERIM PROTECTIVE ORDERS

(1) When justified the commission will issue a protective order, with liberal reference to these rules and with attachments as necessary, including to identify the protected information and any waivers and special terms and conditions which may apply.

(2) Reconsideration of issuance of a protective order is not allowed. Challenges to a commission determination that information is or appears to be protectible shall be in accordance with (3).

(3) Protective orders and these rules establish a procedure for the expeditious handling of information that a provider claims is confidential. Generally, commission <u>Commission</u> issuance of a protective order and designation of information as confidential information means only that the information appears to be information the provider has

established a prima facie case that the information for which protection is requested is entitled to protection or appears to be within a category of information entitled to protection. A party to the proceeding in which information has been designated confidential, or a person or entity with proper standing, or the commission on its own motion, may challenge the provider's claim of confidentiality at any time, in accordance with the following procedure.:

(a) A motion <u>challenging protection of the information</u> must be filed with the commission and served upon the providing party. The providing party must file a response to the motion within 14 days. Requests for hearing or oral argument may be granted for good cause.

(b) If the commission determines <u>on the motion</u> that information should be removed from protection, the information will remain protected under the governing protective order and these rules for a reasonable period, to be established in the commission ruling, to allow the provider time to appeal the commission decision.

(4) The burden of demonstrating that information, which the commission has determined appears to be information entitled to protection or appears to be within a category of information entitled to protection and has therefore designated as confidential information, is entitled to protection shall be on the provider.

(5) In any proceeding in which a protective order does not exist because there has been no known need, the commission, on its own motion or on motion of a provider, the consumer counsel, or other requesting party, may issue an interim protective order if a need for protectible information is identified and issuance of the order will expedite complete and immediate access to information necessary in the proceeding (e.g., during prediscovery on-site audits by the commission and consumer counsel). The rights and obligations of providers, requesting parties, and the commission relating to protection of information under the interim protective order are the same as protection under a final protective order. Within five days of providing information protected under an interim protective order the provider must file a motion for protection of the information on a final basis in accordance with these rules.

AUTH: 69-3-103, MCA IMP: 69-3-105, MCA

4. Amendment of these rules is necessary to accommodate certain concerns expressed in a March 1, 2002, district court denial of a PSC motion to dismiss litigation challenging a PSC protective order (<u>Great Falls Tribune, et al., v. PSC, Montana First Judicial District Court, County of Lewis and Clark, Cause No. CDV-2001-708</u>). The proposed, more detailed, protective-order filing requirements and the proposed PSC determination that a prima facie case for protection has been made in the filing, plus the option to notice the application for comment, should resolve the concerns. In addition, experience with the

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existing rules, combined with the nature of the above proposed amendments, demonstrate that an interim protective order process is necessary in some instances for the smooth and timely flow of protected information in matters before the PSC.

5. Concerned persons may submit their data, views, or arguments, either orally or in writing, at the hearing. Written data, views, or arguments (original and 10 copies) may also be submitted to Legal Division, Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601, and must be received no later than September 10, 2002, or may be submitted to the PSC through the PSC's web-based comment form at http://psc.state.mt.us/PublicComment/PublicComment.htm no later than September 10, 2002. (PLEASE NOTE: When filing comments pursuant to this notice please reference "Docket No. L-02.6.3-RUL.")

6. The PSC, a commissioner, or a duly appointed presiding officer may preside over and conduct the hearing.

7. The Montana Consumer Counsel, 616 Helena Avenue, P.O. Box 201703, Helena, Montana 59620-1703, phone (406) 444-2771, is available and may be contacted to represent consumer interests in this matter.

8. The PSC maintains a list of persons who wish to receive notices of rulemaking actions proposed by the PSC. Persons who wish to have their name added to the list shall make a written request which includes the name and mailing address of the person to receive notices and specifies that the person wishes to receive notices regarding: electric utilities, providers, and suppliers; natural gas utilities, providers and suppliers; telecommunications utilities and carriers; water and sewer utilities; common carrier pipelines, motor carriers, rail carriers, and administrative procedures. Such written request may be mailed or delivered to Public Service Commission, Legal Division, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601, faxed to Rhonda Simmons at (406) 444-7618, e-mailed to rsimmons@state.mt.us, or may be made by completing a request form at any rules hearing held by the PSC.

9. The bill sponsor notice requirements of 2-4-302, MCA, do not apply.

<u>/s/ Gary Feland</u> Gary Feland, Chairman

<u>/s/ Robin A. McHugh</u> Reviewed by Robin A. McHugh

CERTIFIED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE JULY 15, 2002.

MAR Notice No. 38-2-168

BEFORE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the adoption)	CORRECTED NOTICE OF
of a new rule pertaining to)	ADOPTION
the administration of the 2002)	
Federal Community Development)	
Block Grant Program)	

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On December 20, 2001, the Department of Commerce published a notice of proposed adoption of the above-stated rule at page 2449, 2001 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 24. On June 13, 2002, the Department published the notice of adoption of the rule at page 1656, 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 11.

2. This corrected notice of amendment is being published to correct the numbering of the new rule. It was numbered ARM 8.94.3717 in the adoption notice and should have been numbered ARM 8.94.3718.

3. The replacement pages for this rule were filed with the Secretary of State's office on June 30, 2002.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

By: <u>/s/ Mark A. Simonich</u> MARK A. SIMONICH, Director

Reviewed by:

<u>/s/ G. Martin Tuttle</u> G. MARTIN TUTTLE, Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State, July 15, 2002.

In the matter of the)	
adoption of new rules)	
pertaining to contractual)	NOTICE OF ADOPTION
public elk hunting access)	
agreements)	

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On May 30, 2002, the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission (commission) and the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (department) published notice of the proposed adoption of new rules I through V, pertaining to contractual public elk hunting access agreements at page 1536 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 10.

2. The commission and department adopted new rule I (ARM 12.9.901), new rule III (ARM 12.9.905), new rule IV (ARM 12.9.908), and new rule V (ARM 12.9.911) exactly as proposed.

3. The commission and department adopted new rule II (ARM 12.9.902), with the following changes, stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined:

<u>NEW RULE II (ARM 12.9.902) ELIGIBILITY</u> (1) In order to be eligible for a permit under 87-2-513, MCA, a landowner must own and enroll a minimum of 2500 acres experiencing sufficient elk use during the regular hunting season to provide hunting opportunity consistent with the terms of a contractual public elk hunting access agreement. <u>The department may consider</u> <u>enrollment of less than 2500 acres, as long as all other</u> eligibility criteria are met.

AUTH: 87-1-201, 87-1-301, 87-2-513, MCA IMP: 87-2-513, MCA

4. The department and commission received 13 comments. The comments appear below with the commission's and department's responses:

<u>Comment 1</u>: New rule II (ARM 12.9.902) should include a provision that requires a landowner to allow hunting "for either-sex elk consistent with the regular hunting season in the hunting district containing the open private land."

<u>Response</u>: The type of access negotiated between the department and the landowner will depend upon the management needs of the specific hunting district. In some districts, there may be no need for additional public either-sex elk hunting; subsequently, the landowner might receive an

antlerless elk permit as a benefit for providing antlerless elk hunting on enrolled land. The terms of individual negotiated contract agreements will specify the type and terms of public access and will reflect the management needs of the specific area. This suggestion is acknowledged, but not incorporated in the final ARM rules.

<u>Comment 2</u>: There should be a provision in new rule II (ARM 12.9.902) that allows the department to consider enrollment of smaller acreages.

<u>Response</u>: The commission and department concur with this suggestion and have included language to that effect in new rule II (ARM 12.9.902.)

<u>Comment 3</u>: New rule III(1)(a) (ARM 12.9.905) should state "any land/area open to landowner-designated permittees is open to public permittees at the same time."

<u>Response</u>: Section 87-2-513, MCA, does not provide authority for ANY landowner-designated permittees.

<u>Comment 4</u>: New rule III(1)(a)(ii) (ARM 12.9.905) (times and dates area is open) should specify "for the entire time the season or special permits are in effect, and access is permitted to any individual with a valid permit."

<u>Response</u>: The actual terms of the contractual access agreements will vary according to the individual management needs of the area and the access opportunities available. The proposed ARM rules define the categories of information which must be addressed in contractual access agreements, while the content of each category will vary according to the individual agreement negotiations. Subsequently, this comment is acknowledged, but not incorporated into the final ARM rule.

<u>Comment 5</u>: If landowners are going to have the privilege of distributing permits, access in all respects should be equal and balanced at all times.

<u>Response</u>: Section 87-2-513, MCA, does not authorize a landowner to distribute permits.

<u>Comment 6</u>: There should be a more clear definition of the limitations, minimums and maximums, that pertain to the definition of public hunting. Maybe the rules should include the number of days required to qualify for acceptance into these kinds of agreements and perhaps also the sequence of use.

<u>Response</u>: The actual terms of the contractual access agreements will vary according to the individual management needs of the area and the access opportunities available. The proposed ARM rules define the categories of information which

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must be addressed in contractual access agreements, including those categories suggested in this comment.

Comment 7: The number of hunting days is critical.

<u>Response</u>: Proposed new rule III(1)(b) (ARM 12.9.905) requires inclusion of number and distribution of hunting days.

<u>Comment 8</u>: Whatever you are able to do to reduce elk numbers would be appreciated.

<u>Response</u>: The commission and department acknowledge this comment.

<u>Comment 9</u>: Our organization opposes granting either-sex licenses to landowners because this is allocating a public resource and is the first step in privatizing the wildlife that belongs to all of us.

<u>Response</u>: The department and commission are required to implement rules that outline the specific details of HB 454, passed by the 2001 legislature, in order to administer the law. The department and commission recognize that individuals and members of organizations who do not agree with any law can exercise their rights as citizens of the state of Montana and utilize the legislative process to change the law.

<u>Comment 10</u>: This is just more sell out of public trust, and we don't trust this plan and will fight it to the end.

<u>Response</u>: The 2001 Montana Legislature passed HB 454 to allow issuance of either-sex or antlerless elk permits to the public and certain landowners who make their land available to the public for free public elk hunting throughout the hunting season. In order to implement HB 454, the department adopted these rules. Individuals whose fundamental beliefs are diametrically opposed to laws passed by the legislature have the right to employ the legislative system to change the laws with which they disagree.

Both the department and commission have found that the public's ideas, comments, observations, and general participation are valuable in the rulemaking and legislative processes and hope that individuals will offer these so that the department and commission can ensure that this program works effectively and can make changes when needed.

<u>Comment 11</u>: There ought to be a provision under these contracts which allows department employees access to enrolled property for enforcement and wildlife management monitoring purposes, similar to what is provided under block management contracts. <u>Response</u>: The commission and department agree with this comment and will address this issue in development of contract language and policy.

<u>Comment 12</u>: This is a good tool for the department to use in negotiating public access agreements and helping landowners with elk management issues.

<u>Response</u>: The commission and department acknowledge this comment.

Comment 13: We question the contractual hunting agreement stipulation that the property shall be open to public hunting throughout the regular hunting season. The new rules, specifically new rule II(1)(b) (ARM 12.9.902), allows for negotiating the number and distribution of public hunting days that will be allowed. It is our understanding that the phrase "throughout the regular hunting season," (87-2-513 (2)(c), MCA) means that hunting days will conform to the original intention of the law to reward those who open their property for the entire season. This rule appears to be in conflict with that original intention. We ask that the rules for contractual hunting agreements be clarified to comply with the original intent of the law.

<u>Response</u>: New rule I(2) (ARM 12.9.901) further defines the statutory language set forth in 87-2-513(2)(c), MCA, that to eligibility criteria requiring public refers access "throughout the regular hunting season." New rule II(1)(b) (ARM 12.9.902) "number and distribution of public hunting days that will be allowed on property for the following categories... further defines 87 - 2 - 513(7), MCA, which specifies, at a minimum, what terms will be defined in public elk hunting access agreements to include "the number of public elk hunting days that will be allowed on the property..." Both new rule I (ARM 12.9.901) and new rule II (ARM 12.9.902) are required to implement 87-2-513, MCA. The proposed rules are in strict compliance with the statute.

- By:/s/ Dan WalkerBy:/s/ M. Jeff HagenerDan Walker, ChairmanM. Jeff Hagener, DirectorFish, Wildlife and ParksDepartment of Fish,CommissionWildlife and Parks
- By: <u>/s/ Rebecca Dockter Engstrom</u> Rebecca Dockter Engstrom Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State July 15, 2002

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of ARM 17.36.101 through 17.36.104, 17.36.106, 17.36.108, 17.36.110,	t)))	CORRECTED NOTICE OF AMENDMENT
17.36.108, 17.36.110, 17.36.116, 17.36.309, 17.36.310, 17.36.320, 17.36.325, 17.36.327, 17.36.345, 17.36.601, 17.36.605, 17.36.801, 17.36.802, 17.36.804, 17.36.805, the repeal of 17.36.105, 17.36.111, 17.36.301, 17.36.302, 17.36.303, 17.36.305, 17.36.602 and 17.36.606, and the adoption of new rules I through IX pertaining to))))))))	(SUBDIVISIONS)
subdivision review under the Sanitation and Subdivisions Act)))	

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On March 14, 2002, the Department of Environmental Quality published a notice of proposed amendment and adoption of the above-stated rules at page 568, 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 5. On May 16, 2002, the Department published the notice of amendment and adoption of the rules at page 1465, 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 9.

2. This corrected notice of amendment is being published to correct two clerical errors in the original notice. In the proposed amendment to ARM 17.36.101(46), the language "The total number of people served may not exceed 24." should have been underlined as new text. In the definition renumbered as (57), the former (45) should have been stricken. The amendments, as they should have been published in the original notice, are shown below.

<u>17.36.101</u> DEFINITIONS (1) through (45) same as proposed.

(37) (46) "Shared sewage wastewater system" means a sewage wastewater system that serves or is intended to serve two living units or commercial structures. <u>The total number</u> of people served may not exceed 24. In estimating the population served, the reviewing authority shall multiply the number of living units times the county average of persons per living unit based on the most recent census data.

(45) (57) "Subsurface sewage <u>wastewater</u> treatment system" means the process of sewage <u>wastewater</u> treatment in

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which the effluent is applied below the soil surface <u>or into a</u> <u>mound</u> by <u>an approved</u> distribution through horizontal perforated pipes <u>system</u>.

(58) through (64) same as proposed.

3. The replacement pages for these rules were filed with the Secretary of State's office on June 30, 2002.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

By: <u>JAN P. SENSIBAUGH</u> JAN P. SENSIBAUGH, Director

Reviewed by:

JAMES M. MADDEN JAMES M. MADDEN, Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State, July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the) amendment of ARM 23.4.501,) 23.4.502, and 23.4.503 which) provide the relevant) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT definitions and set forth the) requirements for collection) and storage of DNA)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On June 13, 2002, the Department of Justice published notice of the proposed amendment of the above stated rules at page 1617, 2002 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 11.

2. No public hearing was requested and no comments were received.

3. The Department of Justice has amended ARM 23.4.501, 23.4.502, and 23.4.503 exactly as proposed.

By: <u>/s/ Mike McGrath</u> MIKE MCGRATH, Attorney General Department of Justice

> /s/ Ali Sheppard ALI SHEPPARD, Rule Reviewer

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT amendment of ARM 8.64.509,) pertaining to the licensure of) out-of-state applicants) (endorsement))

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On April 11, 2002, the Board of Veterinary Medicine published a notice of proposed amendment of the above-stated rule at page 1041, 2002 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 7.

2. The Board has amended ARM 8.64.509 exactly as proposed.

3. Two written comments were received. The following is a summary of the comments and appears with the Board's responses.

<u>COMMENT 1</u>: One comment was received that supported the proposed amendment.

<u>RESPONSE 1</u>: The Board concurs.

<u>COMMENT 2</u>: One comment was received that opposed the amendment as being illogical because it was not unreasonable to expect five years of experience for licensure of out-ofstate applicants.

<u>RESPONSE 2</u>: The Board overrules this comment because it does not address the problem that arises when vets do not immediately begin work after graduation. When this happens, there is a time period in which their examination scores have expired and they have been licensed just short of five years, rendering them ineligible for licensure by either method. It is the Board's belief that the public health and welfare is adequately protected by requiring four years of experience instead of five years. This also removes the barrier to licensing that currently exists.

> BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE ROBERT LEE, DVM, PRESIDENT

<u>/s/ kevin braun</u>	by:	<u>/s/ WENDY J. KEATING</u>
Kevin Braun,		Wendy J. Keating, Commissioner
Rule Reviewer		DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY

Certified to the Secretary of State, July 15, 2002.

In the matter of the) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT amendment of ARM 24.16.9003) and ARM 24.16.9007, pertaining) to prevailing wage rates)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On May 16, 2002, the Department published notice at page 1391 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 9, to consider the amendment of the above-captioned rules.

2. On June 7, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., a public hearing was held in Helena, Montana, to consider the proposed amendment to the above-captioned rules. Oral comments were made at the public hearing and prior to the closing date, additional written comments and data were received by the Department.

3. After consideration of the comments received on the proposed amendments, the Department has amended ARM 24.16.9003 exactly as proposed.

4. After consideration of the comments received on the proposed amendments, the Department has amended ARM 24.16.9007 exactly as proposed, but with the following rate changes to the 2002 version of "The State of Montana Prevailing Wage Rates - Building Construction Services", stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined:

Occupation	District	Wage rate	Benefit rate
Cement Mason Cement Mason	1 2	\$11.27	(no change) \$1.27
Sprinkler Fitt		(no change)	\$5.77
Carpenter Carpenter	3	\$15.62	\$4.90
Foreperson Cut Off	3	\$16.37 <u>\$18.75</u>	\$4.90
Saw Operator Drywall	3	\$15.62	\$4.90
Applicator Drywall	3	\$14.40	\$1.30
Applicator Drywall	10	\$14.64	\$4.87
Applicator Foreperson Drywall	3	no rate <u>\$19.29</u>	no rate <u>\$5.62</u>
Applicator Foreperson Drywall	6	no rate <u>\$18.40</u>	no rate <u>\$4.90</u>
Applicator Foreperson	10	no rate <u>\$20.15</u>	no rate <u>\$4.90</u>
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Millwright	3	\$16.62	<u>\$19.03</u>	\$4.90	<u>\$5.62</u>
Sider	3	\$15.62	<u>\$18.03</u>	\$4.90	<u>\$5.62</u>
Pile Driver	3	\$15.87	<u>\$18.53</u>	\$4.90	<u>\$5.62</u>

District 3, Carpenter, Carpenter Foreperson, Cut Off Saw Operator, Drywall Applicator, Drywall Applicator Foreperson, Millwright, Pile Driver, Sider: Travel pay: 0-10 mi. free zone, over 10 mi. \$.20/mi Travel pay: 0-15 mi. free zone, 15-25 mi. \$10.00, 25-50 mi. \$15.00, 50 mi. and over-\$20.00

5. The Department has thoroughly considered the comments received on the proposed amendments. The following is a summary of the comments received, along with the Department's response to those comments:

<u>Comment 1</u>: Lars Erickson, Field Representative for the PNWRC of Carpenters, suggested some language changes to sections (2)(e) and (3)(e) of ARM 24.16.9003 to make it more readable.

<u>Response 1</u>: The language in sections (2)(e) and (3)(e) of ARM 24.16.9003 was changed to reflect the recent statutory amendments. The Department believes the technical language in the rule appropriately matches the law.

<u>Comment 2</u>: Mr. Erickson had comments about Carpenter rates in Districts 2, 3 and 8 and stated there may be a problem in the calculations. Mr. Erickson said he would ask the Carpenters Union to submit a new collective bargaining agreement.

<u>Response 2</u>: Carpenter wage and fringe benefit rate calculations were analyzed and the Department has determined the correct methodology was used in the calculations. The Carpenters Union submitted a new collective bargaining agreement, which was used to supplement the data previously collected. As a result of that additional information, certain rates were modified.

<u>Comment 3</u>: Don Herzog, Business Agent for IBEW 532 opposed the rates for electricians in District 6.

<u>Response 3</u>: The electrician wage and fringe benefit rate calculations were analyzed and the Department has determined the correct methodology was used in the calculations.

<u>Comment 4</u>: Mr. Sonny Lockrem states the proposed rule change to ARM 24.16.9003 seems to be in direct conflict with the statute as it relates to the use of the weighted average.

<u>Response 4</u>: Section 18-2-401(13)(a)(ii), MCA states that a majority or weighted average is to be used. The section also states: "If the survey produces insufficient data, the rate may be established by the use of other information or methods that the commissioner determines fairly establish the standard

prevailing rate of wages." The Department has determined that for statistical validity it needs data for at least 5 employees in each occupation in each district to set a wage rate. ARM 24.16.9003 clarifies how the wage rates will be determined when there is not enough employee data in a district for a particular occupation to set a wage rate.

<u>Comment 5</u>: Mr. Cary Hegreberg of the Montana Contractors Association questioned how the Department uses the number of workers to establish a weighted average.

Response 5: The 2001 amendments to section 18-2-401(13), MCA, deleted the provisions weighting wage rates by the number of hours worked and inserted new wording weighting by the number of workers employed during the employer's peak month of employment. The Department has used this section of the statute to determine the survey methodology and the wage rate setting process. As per the statute, registered construction contractors (registered pursuant to Title 39, chapter 9, MCA) are asked only for the number of workers they employed in a particular occupation in a particular district for the employer's peak month of employment and not the number of hours an employee works during the year. The first determined is whether there are 5 or more workers in an occupation in a If there are, and a majority of the workers are district. paid one wage rate and it is not greater than the applicable rate of wage in the area for the particular work in question as negotiated under existing and current collective bargaining agreements, that rate prevails. If there are 5 or more workers reported for an occupation in a given district and a majority are not paid one rate, an average rate based upon the number of workers is calculated and if that rate is not greater than the applicable rate of wage in the area for the particular work in question as negotiated under existing and current collective bargaining agreements, that rate prevails. The Department believes this methodology for conducting the survey and setting the wage rate is consistent with the statute.

<u>Comment 6</u>: Mr. Hegreberg asked if one person worked 480 hours during the year and another person worked 2,000 hours if they would be given the same weight.

<u>Response 6</u>: Yes. Pursuant to statute, the number of hours worked by an individual is not given any weight.

<u>Comment 7</u>: Jeff Crisler and Tom Tanner representing two locals of the Ironworkers Union are concerned that some of their jobs are classified under the laborer classification.

<u>Response 7</u>: The occupational classifications in question are copied directly from the Federal Davis-Bacon program, which lists those occupations under the "Laborers" classification. They will be listed under the Laborers classification until

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the Federal Davis-Bacon program classifies them differently. A check of collective bargaining agreements show these occupations are also listed in the Laborer collective bargaining agreements.

<u>Comment 8</u>: Additional data and information was submitted to the Department concerning the wages and benefits paid to various occupations.

<u>Response 8</u>: The Department has incorporated the additional data and information into its rate publication. The changes from the preliminary version of the rate publication to the final version are listed in paragraph 4, above.

6. The amendments and rates are effective August 1, 2002.

/s/ KEVIN BRAUN	<u>/s/ WENDY J. KEATING</u>
Kevin Braun Rule Reviewer	Wendy J. Keating, Commissioner DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY

Certified to the Secretary of State: July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the CORRECTED NOTICE OF) adoption of new Rules I) ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT through VI and the amendment) of ARM 37.5.304, 37.5.307,) 37.5.331, 37.80.101 through) 37.80.103, 37.80.201 and) 37.80.202, 37.80.205,) 37.80.206, 37.80.301,) 37.80.306, 37.80.315,)) 37.80.316, 37.80.501, 37.80.502 and 37.97.118) pertaining to child care) assistance and hearing appeal) rights)

TO: All Interested Persons

1. On March 14, 2002, the Department of Public Health and Human Services published notice of the proposed adoption and amendment of the above-stated rules at page 727 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 5, and on May 30, 2002 published notice of the adoption and amendment on page 1553 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 10.

2. This corrected notice is being filed to correct errors in ARM 37.80.101, 37.80.102, 37.80.205, 37.80.502 and [RULE IV] 37.80.602.

3. The rules are corrected as follows:

<u>37.80.101 PURPOSE AND GENERAL LIMITATIONS</u> (1) through (10) remain as proposed.

AUTH: Sec. <u>52-2-704</u> and <u>53-4-212</u>, MCA IMP: Sec. <u>52-2-702</u>, <u>52-2-704</u>, <u>52-2-713</u>, <u>52-2-731</u>, <u>53-2-201</u>, <u>53-4-211</u>, 53-4-601, and <u>53-4-611</u> and <u>53-4-612</u>, MCA

37.80.102 DEFINITIONS (1) through (19) remain as proposed.

AUTH: Sec. <u>52-2-704</u> and <u>53-4-212</u>, MCA IMP: Sec. <u>52-2-704</u>, <u>52-2-713</u>, <u>52-2-721</u>, 52-2-722, 52-2-723, 52-2-731, <u>53-2-201</u>, 53-4-211, 53-4-601<u>, and <u>53-4-611</u> and <u>53-4-612</u>, MCA</u>

37.80.205 CHILD CARE RATES: PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS (1) through (8) remain as proposed.

AUTH: Sec. 52-2-704 and 53-4-212, MCA IMP: Sec. 52-2-704 and 53-2-713 52-2-713, MCA

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<u>37.80.502 CHILD CARE UNDERPAYMENT AND OVERPAYMENT:</u> <u>CRIMINAL PROSECUTION</u> (1) through (6)(a) remain as proposed.

AUTH: Sec. 52-2-704 and 53-4-212, MCA IMP: Sec. 52-2-704 and 53-2-713 52-2-713, MCA

[RULE IV] 37.80.602 BEST BEGINNINGS QUALITY CHILD CARE: MERIT PAY (1) through (11) remain as proposed.

AUTH: Sec. <u>52-2-704</u> and <u>52-2-111</u>, MCA IMP: Sec. <u>52-2-704</u>, <u>52-2-111</u> and <u>52-2-112</u>, MCA

4. In the proposal notice, the Department deleted 53-4-612, MCA in the implementation section of ARM 37.80.101 and 37.80.102. This was an error. It is this Department's policy to leave all cites in the authority and implementation section for historical purposes, therefore the Department is leaving the cites in the rule history.

In addition, the Department noticed that ARM 37.80.205 and 37.80.502 cited 53-2-713, MCA as an implementation section, which was a typographical error. The correct citation is 52-2-713, MCA.

Finally, the Department is removing the colon in the catchphrase of Rule IV (37.80.602) for consistency of appearance with other rules in the same subchapter.

5. All other rule changes adopted and amended remain as proposed.

6. Replacement pages for the corrected notice of adoption and amendment were submitted to the Secretary of State on June 30, 2002.

<u>Dawn Sliva</u> Rule Reviewer <u>/s/ Gail Gray</u> Director, Public Health and Human Services

Certified to the Secretary of State July 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the adoption NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND) of new Rule I and the) AMENDMENT amendment of ARM 37.86.2801,) 37.86.2901, 37.86.2905,) 37.86.2910, 37.86.3001,) 37.86.3005, 38.86.3007,) 37.86.3016 and 37.86.3018) pertaining to inpatient and) outpatient hospitals)

TO: All Interested Persons

1. On April 25, 2002, the Department of Public Health and Human Services published notice of the proposed adoption and amendment of the above-stated rules at page 1289 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 8. On May 30, 2002, and June 27, 2002, the Department published notices of extension of comment period at pages 1543 and 1725 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue numbers 10 and 12, respectively, of the proposed adoption and amendment of the above-stated rules.

2. The Department has amended ARM 37.86.2801, 37.86.2901, 37.86.2905, 37.86.2910, 37.86.3001, 37.86.3005 and 37.86.3007 as proposed.

3. The Department has adopted Rule I (37.86.2810) as proposed.

4. The Department has amended the following rules as proposed with the following changes from the original proposal. These proposed changes were shown in the notice of extension of comment period (MAR Notice No. 37-239) published in MAR issue number 12. Matter to be added is underlined. Matter to be deleted is interlined.

<u>37.86.3016 OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES, PROSPECTIVE</u> <u>PAYMENT METHODOLOGY, IMAGING SERVICES</u> (1) Imaging services will be reimbursed as follows:

(a) and (b) remain as proposed.

(c) For imaging services where no APC rate has been assigned, but a medicaid fee has been assigned, the fee is the amount set will be set in accordance with the RBRVS methodology in ARM 37.85.212(9).

AUTH: Sec. 53-2-201 and <u>53-6-113</u>, MCA IMP: Sec. 53-2-201, <u>53-6-101</u>, 53-6-111 and <u>53-6-113</u>, MCA

<u>37.86.3018 OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES, PROSPECTIVE</u> PAYMENT METHODOLOGY, OTHER DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES (1) Other

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diagnostic services will be reimbursed as follows:

(a) and (b) remain as proposed.

(c) For other diagnostic services without an APC rate, but for which a medicaid fee has been assigned, the fee is the amount set will be set in accordance with the RBRVS methodology in ARM 37.85.212(9).

AUTH: Sec. 53-2-201 and <u>53-6-113</u>, MCA IMP: Sec. 53-2-201, <u>53-6-101</u>, 53-6-111 and <u>53-6-113</u>, MCA

5. These rule changes are effective August 1, 2002.

6. The Department has thoroughly considered all commentary received. The comments received and the department's response to each follow:

<u>COMMENT #1</u>: The proposed weights and prices tables for inpatient hospital services were not available to interested persons until the hearing held on May 16, 2002. At that time the Department indicated that the data may have been inaccurate. The Department extended the comment period to June 7, 2002, but did not get the final draft of the table to hospitals and associations until June 4, 2002.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Department realizes that interested persons did not have adequate time to analyze the final draft tables dated June 4, 2002. Therefore, the Department extended the comment period a second time to July 10, 2002. The public notice of extension of the comment period was published in the Montana Administrative Register as MAR Notice No. 37-239 on June 27, 2002 on page 1725, issue number 12.

<u>COMMENT #2</u>: We oppose the amendment to ARM 37.86.2801 because it would limit the ability of the Department to authorize services retroactively.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Department proposed the amendments to ARM 37.86.2801 to clarify the language at the request of out-ofstate hospitals. The Department's intent is that this clarification will allow an out-of-state facility to request and receive retroactive authorization of services when a recipient becomes retroactively approved for Montana Medicaid. The amendment is also intended to allow an out-of-state provider to seek retroactive review of a service when the provider becomes retroactively enrolled as a Montana Medicaid provider. The Department is amending the rule as proposed.

<u>COMMENT #3</u>: We oppose the elimination of special payments for 'catastrophic' cases. Hospitals previously agreed to reduce the base price and reserve funding for these expensive cases and believes that if catastrophic case payments are cut, then the Department should restore funding to the base price level.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Department has never had 'reserve funding' for

catastrophic cases. Prior to 1997, the Department had a separate cap on spending for catastrophic cases, but did not have a separate funding reserve for these cases. Considering Montana's current budget shortfall, the Department elected to eliminate special payments for catastrophic cases in order to avoid the elimination or reduction of Medicaid reimbursement for other services to all hospitals. The Department has observed that larger hospitals have historically been the providers of services for catastrophic cases. The Department has requested Mountain-Pacific Quality Health Foundation (MPQHF) to assist hospitals in difficult cases when discharge planning is a challenge. The Department will continue to pay cost outlier payments on these cases.

<u>COMMENT #4</u>: We recommend that the Department lower the dollar threshold at which hospitals may bill for care to a long term inpatient from \$144,000 to \$35,000. The Department would learn of high cost cases sooner and could apply case management techniques.

<u>**RESPONSE</u>**: The Department has implemented a procedure to address</u> this issue. In the July 2001 hospital provider manual, in a mailing to all hospitals in August 2001 and at the Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA) conference in October 2001, the Department requested that hospital providers contact MPQHF when their charge masters on inpatient stays reach \$30,000. MPQHF will then apply case management techniques to assist the hospitals in case management and in finding long term, more cost effective placement for these patients. То date, only two facilities have contacted MPQHF and asked for assistance. In both instances, MPQHF was able to assist the facility in finding long term nursing home placement for these patients before the charges reached catastrophic proportions. The Department will continue to assist hospitals on difficult placements through MPQHF.

<u>COMMENT #5</u>: The Department incorrectly referred to the lab fee schedule instead of the imaging fee schedule in the proposed amendments to ARM 37.86.3016 and ARM 37.86.3018.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Department agrees and has corrected the error.

<u>COMMENT #6</u>: The proposed changes would reduce reimbursement to our facility by 8.75% annually. This is disproportionate to the 3.5% reduction in state spending directed by the Governor under 17-7-140, MCA. Medicaid only reimburses our facility 74 cents for each dollar of fully allocated costs incurred in caring for Medicaid patients. The proposed reductions would leave 1/3 of the cost of caring for Medicaid patients not recovered. We cannot further eliminate services such as ambulance or mental health due to the effect on the community nor can we reduce costs to recover lost reimbursement as we have already done so to recover high rates of increase in labor inputs, drugs and insurance rate hikes related to the events that occurred on

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September 11, 2001. The shifting of this 'lost reimbursement' to non-Medicaid patients puts a 'hidden tax' on that segment of the population.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The rule changes adopted in this notice are not in response to the Governor's 3.5% state spending reduction. The purpose of these rule changes is to reduce the weights on Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) payments by 2%, which will bring the case mix back to its designed value of 1.000. Currently, the case mix is 1.0187. In addition, these rules adjust outlier thresholds for inflation (10%) and eliminate catastrophic payments. The commenting facility had one catastrophic case payment in SFY 2002 that apparently skewed its computations, and based on this facility's year 2000 cost report, the facility is currently receiving 91.9% of costs.

<u>Dawn Sliva</u> Rule Reviewer <u>/s/ Gail Gray</u> Director, Public Health and Human Services

Certified to the Secretary of State July 15, 2001.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the Matter of the Amendment)	NOTICE	OF	AMENDMENT
of ARM 38.5.1107 Pertaining to)			
Accrual of Interest on Customer)			
Deposits with Utilities)			

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On March 28, 2002, the Department of Public Service Regulation, Public Service Commission (PSC) published a notice of public hearing on the proposed amendment of ARM 38.5.1107, concerning interest to be paid by public utilities on customer deposits for guaranteed payment, at page 893 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue number 6.

2. The PSC has amended ARM 38.5.1107 as proposed through amendment Alternative A, with the following changes (the remaining five amendment alternatives, B through F, are rejected), new matter underlined, stricken matter interlined:

<u>38.5.1107</u> INTEREST ON DEPOSITS (1) Interest on deposits held shall be accrued at the rate of three six percent per year. Interest shall be computed from the time of the deposit to the time of refund or termination, to the nearest whole month, without compounding. This rule is effective October 1, 2002, applies to deposits received on and after October 1, 2002, and applies to the remaining period of deposits existing before October 1, 2002.

AUTH: 69-3-103, MCA IMP: 69-3-103, MCA

3. The following comments were received and appear with the PSC's response:

<u>COMMENT 1</u>: Hot Springs Telephone Co. (HST) and Ronan Telephone Co. (RTC) comment that the present rule's 12 percent per year is out of step with the reality of present interest rates. Most other commenters generally agree. However, the Montana Consumer Counsel (MCC) comments that no change to the existing rule is necessary. The Montana Telephone Association (MTA) comments that deposits are favorable to most consumers because the deposits cover unpaid bills, a burden that paying customers would otherwise be required to bear. NorthWestern Energy (NWE) agrees, commenting the reason for deposits is that some potential customers present a risk to existing customers.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The PSC agrees with HST and RTC and others that the 12 percent per year is not presently an appropriate interest rate for customer deposits and the PSC amends the rule to a lower interest rate. The PSC agrees with MTA and NWE that

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deposits generally serve an important purpose.

<u>COMMENT 2</u>: HST, RTC, and WorldCom support Alternative A as proposed (fixed interest rate of 3 percent per year). MTA comments a fixed interest rate is arbitrary and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) comments a fixed rate is problematic, as the current situation (fixed rate has become outdated) demonstrates. MTA, NWE, and MDU favor a national standard interest rate adjusted annually. Other commenters support a national standard.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The PSC determines that a fixed rate is most appropriate and adopts Alternative A with modifications. Flexible rates might have some good points, but, in addition to including unknowns for customer and utility planning purposes and requiring additional accounting and administrative monitoring and verification, could be unsuitable to proper promotion of fair customer deposit-policy goals, which might demand, in the customer or utility interest, an interest rate different than a national standard.

<u>COMMENT 3</u>: Montana Independent Telecommunications Systems (MITS) and NWE comment the interest rate should be at a level customers could earn on interest bearing accounts at financial institutions. Several other commenters allude to interest rates now prevailing in certain types of financial institutions through various savings or investment strategies. MCC comments that customer deposits are involuntary, may be used by utilities in any manner, and may require a consumer to incur additional debt at a higher interest rate (e.g., mortgage rate of approximately 8 percent annually or credit card rate up to 23 percent annually).

RESPONSE: Although a couple of commenters allude to rates outside this range, the PSC determines one credible range of rates to be considered, given the current status of interest rates in other fields, is 3 percent per year to 10 percent per year. At this time the PSC does not agree the customer deposit interest rate should be as low as 3 percent per year or as high as 10 percent per year. The lower extreme of this range could be unfair to consumers and the higher extreme could be unreasonably burdensome to utilities (and ratepayers). The PSC determines the correct balance between the consumer interest and the utility interest would result in: the consumer being compensated for deposits at an amount that recognizes a current and reasonable time value of money for consumers in general; recognition that the consumer is also benefiting by obtaining utility service; encouragement of customer deposits being required only when necessary; and the current interest earning capabilities of public utilities, both small and large, in general. The PSC determines that six percent per year results in a sound balance, taking into account the above factors.

<u>/s/ Gary Feland</u> Gary Feland, Chairman

/s/ Robin A. McHugh Reviewed by Robin A. McHugh

CERTIFIED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE JULY 15, 2002.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the)	NOTICE OF AMENDMENT	
amendment of ARM 42.2.501)		
relating to partial payments)		
for debts collected by the)		
department)		

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On May 30, 2002, the department published notice of proposed amendment of ARM 42.2.501 relating to partial payments for debts collected by the department at page 1545 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, issue no. 10.

2. A public hearing was held on June 24, 2002, to consider the proposed amendment. No oral or written comments were received.

3. The department presented additional amendments at the hearing to accurately describe how a payment is distributed when a collection service fee has been assessed on the account. The amendments also reflect the name by which this fee is commonly referred. This collection service fee applies only on accounts where the debt has been determined non-collectible or when the department performs an offset from the state warrant writing system pursuant to 14-4-105, MCA. The additional amendments are as follows (stricken matter interlined and new matter in all caps):

42.2.501 APPLICATION OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS (1) Partial payments that are received by the department for payment of an administrative COLLECTION SERVICE fee, AND tax, penalty, and interest LIABILITY must first be applied PROPORTIONATELY to the amount of administrative BETWEEN THE COLLECTION SERVICE fee AND THE TAX LIABILITY AT THE RATE SET BY THE DEBT COLLECTION INTERNAL SERVICE FUND due, until it is satisfied. Any amounts remaining will then be applied to the amount of interest, then to the amount of penalty and then to the tax due. PAYMENT OF THE TAX LIABILITY IS APPLIED IN THE ORDER OF TAX, PENALTY, AND THEN INTEREST.

(2) through (4) are amended as proposed.

(5) THE APPLICATION OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, AS SHOWN IN (1), WILL APPLY TO PAYMENTS PROCESSED BEGINNING JULY 26, 2002.

<u>AUTH</u>: Sec. 2-4-201, 15-1-201, 15-30-305, 15-31-501, 15-35-122, and 15-53-155, MCA

<u>IMP</u>: Sec. 2-4-201, 15-1-206, 15-1-216, 15-30-304, 15-30-321, 15-30-323, 15-31-111, 15-31-502, 15-31-506, 15-31-510, 15-31-522, 15-31-543, 15-31-545, 15-35-105, 15-35-121, 15-37-108, 15-38-107, 15-38-110, 15-53-145, and 15-59-106, MCA

4. An electronic copy of this Adoption Notice is available

through the Department's site on the World Wide Web at http://www.state.mt.us/revenue/rules_home_page.htm, under the Notice of Rulemaking section. The Department strives to make the electronic copy of this Adoption Notice conform to the official version of the Notice, as printed in the Montana Administrative Register, but advises all concerned persons that in the event of a discrepancy between the official printed text of the Notice and the electronic version of the Notice, only the official printed text will be considered. In addition, although the Department strives to keep its website accessible at all times, concerned persons should be aware that the website may be unavailable during some periods, due to system maintenance or technical problems.

/s/ Cleo Anderson	/s/ Kurt G. Alme
CLEO ANDERSON	KURT G. ALME
Rule Reviewer	Director of Revenue

Certified to Secretary of State July 15, 2002

VOLUME NO. 49

OPINION NO. 19

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - county to provide facilities for justice court; COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - duty to accept and pay actual and necessary clerical expenses of justice court; COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - dispute between board of county commissioners and justice of the peace; COURTS, JUSTICE - request for clerical expenses; EXPENSES - actual and necessary expenses of justice court; JUSTICES OF THE PEACE - determination of actual and necessary clerical expense; MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED - Sections 2-18-501 to -503, 3-1-111(5), 3-10-103, (2), -209, 7-6-4005, -4006; MONTANA CONSTITUTION - Article VII, section 2; MONTANA LAWS OF 1979 - Chapter 528; REVISED CODES OF MONTANA - Section 93-412.

HELD: Boards of County Commissioners have a duty to accept and pay claims for actual and necessary clerical expenses associated with the operation of justice court. The procedural rule adopted in <u>State ex rel.</u> <u>Browman v. Wood</u>, 168 Mont. 341, 543 P.2d 184 (1975) applies to disputes between Justices of the Peace and Boards of County Commissioners regarding payment of actual and necessary expenses.

July 16, 2002

Mr. David G. Rice Hill County Attorney 315 Fourth Street Havre, MT 59501-3923

Dear Mr. Rice:

You have requested my opinion regarding the budget authority of a Board of County Commissioners and a Justice of the Peace. I have rephrased the question you presented as follows:

When a Board of County Commissioners denies a Justice of the Peace's request for clerical support, which the Justice of the Peace considers to be an actual and necessary expense for conducting court business, what procedure may the Justice of the Peace follow in seeking to compel the Board of County Commissioners to honor the expense?

Mont. Code Ann. § 3-1-111(5), provides that every court has power to "control, in furtherance of justice, the conduct of its ministerial officers and of all other persons in any manner connected with a judicial proceeding before it in every other manner appertaining thereto." Additionally, Mont. Code

3-10-103. County to provide facilities. The board of county commissioners of the county in which the justice of the peace has been elected or appointed:

(1) shall provide for the justice's court:
(a) the office, courtroom, and clerical assistance necessary to enable the justice of the peace and the clerk of justice's court, if any, to conduct business in dignified surroundings;

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(2) may provide a clerk of justice's court.

As you noted in your opinion request Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-103(2) gives a Board of County Commissioners the discretion to provide a clerk of justice court. In the dispute you describe in Pondera County, the Justice of the Peace sought to increase the clerk's hours. A Board of County Commissioners' denial of a request to provide a clerk or to increase a clerk's hours after a determination by a Justice of the Peace that either is a necessary expense, is subject to the review process established in <u>State ex rel. Browman v. Wood</u>, 168 Mont. 341, 543 P.2d 184 (1975).

In Browman, the Montana Supreme Court considered a dispute between a Justice of the Peace and a Board of County Due to an increase in the caseload, the Commissioners. Justice of the Peace submitted a request to hire temporary clerical assistance. <u>Id.</u> at 343, 543 P.2d at 186. Extra clerical assistance had not been provided in the Justice of the Peace's annual budget. Id. The Board of County Commissioners disapproved the request, in part, based on their position that the additional help was unnecessary. Id. The case came before the Supreme Court after a district court judge issued a peremptory writ of mandate requiring the Board of County Commissioners to allow and pay the claim. Id. at 344, 543 P.2d at 186.

On appeal the Board of County Commissioners argued that the law vested in them the discretion to approve or disapprove the claim for clerical expenses, rather than imposing a duty on them to act. Browman, 168 Mont. at 345, 543 P.2d at 187. The Court rejected the Board of County Commissioners' claim noting that it failed "to recognize the constitutional and statutory provisions that enable justice courts to incur the actual expenses necessary to function properly as a court of law." Id. The Court held that those constitutional and statutory provisions created a duty on the part of the commissioners to approve and pay the actual and necessary expenses of a justice court. Id.

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The Court determined that the Board of County Commissioners' statutory duty to pay clerical expenses arose out of R.C.M. 93-412, which is now codified at Mont. Code Ann. §§ 3-10-103 and 3-10-209. Browman, 168 Mont. at 345-346, 543 P.2d at 188-189. Because the Court recognized that conflicts between Boards of County Commissioners and Justices of the Peace were bound to occur, it exercised its supervisory power under Mont. Const. article VII, § 2, and adopted a rule to govern such situations.

The Court's adopted rule governs in the case of conflict between a Board of County Commissioners and a Justice of the Peace concerning the funding of court expenses. According to the rule, the Justice of the Peace must submit a claim to the senior district judge of the judicial district in which the county is located in which the Justice of the Peace serves. Browman, 168 Mont. at 346, 543 P.2d at 189. The senior district judge is required to certify the necessity of the expense within ten (10) days of the submission of the claim and to transmit the certification to the Board of County Commissioners with copy to the county attorney. Id. If the senior district judge fails, refuses or neglects to certify the claim within the ten (10) day period, such nonaction is deemed to be a refusal to certify that such claim is an actual and necessary expense incurred or to be incurred by the Justice of the Peace in the performance of the Justice's Id. The Court held that the senior district official duties. judge's certification or refusal to certify such a claim was a condition precedent to any legal action on the claim in any court of this state. Id.

You state in your opinion request that some Boards of County Commissioners contend that the legislature disapproved the rule from Browman, citing the 1979 amendment to Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-209 to support their contention. Senate Bill 481, enacted as chapter 528, Laws of 1979, amended § 3-10-209 by substituting the phrase "actual and necessary travel expenses" for what had previously simply read "expenses." I do not agree with the argument that the legislature's passage of Senate Bill 481 resulted in a disapproval of the Browman rule. First, review of Senate Bill 481 does not support the argument that the Legislature intended to disapprove Browman. The title of Senate Bill 481 reveals that its purpose was to standardize travel expenses and per diem for justices, judges, and court reporters as provided for in Mont. Code Ann. §§ 2-18-501 through 2-18-503. 1979 Mont. Laws, ch. 528. The Browman rule is not mentioned in the title or the text of the Bill. Id. Senate Bill 481 does not reflect any intent on the part of the legislature to disapprove the rule. Rules of procedure promulgated by the Montana Supreme Court pursuant to Mont. Const. article VII, § 2, are subject to disapproval by the legislature in either of the two sessions following It is logical to conclude that any such promulgation.

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disapproval of a judicial rule of procedure must be done expressly. Passage of Senate Bill 481 does not support the contention that the legislature disapproved the <u>Browman</u> rule.

Second, in my opinion, the duty to pay for clerical assistance arises out of Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-103, which allows a Board of County Commissioners to provide a clerk, rather than Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-209, which addresses travel expenses. Thus, the 1979 amendment of Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-209 is not directly applicable to a dispute over clerical expenses. Finally, subsequent to the 1979 amendment of Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-209, the Montana Supreme Court continued to apply the <u>Browman</u> rule in cases involving financial disputes between a justice of the peace and a board of county commissioners. <u>See, e.g., In the Matter of Certain Justice Court Expenses</u>, 264 Mont. 510, 872 P.2d 795 (1994); <u>Clark v. Dussault</u>, 265 Mont. 479, 878 P.2d 239 (1994). This fact further supports my conclusion that the legislature did not disapprove the <u>Browman</u> rule with its adoption of Senate Bill 481.

It is therefore my opinion that Mont. Code Ann. § 3-10-103 creates a duty on the part of Boards of County Commissioners to accept and pay claims for actual and necessary clerical expenses associated with the operation of justice court. The procedural rule adopted in State ex rel. Browman v. Wood, 168 Mont. 341, 543 P.2d 184 (1975), applies to disputes between Justices of the Peace and Boards of County Commissioners regarding payment of actual and necessary expenses. In the dispute you described in Pondera County, the Justice of the Peace properly followed Browman, and her request was certified by the district court as a necessary expense.

The statutes governing county accounting, budgeting, and financial matters do not preclude continued application of the <u>Browman</u> rule. While boards of county commissioners may have some budgetary discretion when considering the payment of actual and necessary court expenses, the statutes governing the county budgeting process do not serve to disapprove application of the <u>Browman</u> rule when disputes arise. <u>See</u> Mont. Code Ann. §§ 7-6-4005 and 7-6-4006.

THEREFORE, IT IS MY OPINION:

Boards of County Commissioners have a duty to accept and pay claims for actual and necessary clerical expenses associated with the operation of justice court. The procedural rule adopted in <u>State ex rel. Browman v. Wood</u>, 168 Mont. 341, 543 P.2d 184 (1975), applies to disputes between Justices of the Peace and Boards of County Commissioners regarding payment of actual and necessary expenses. Very truly yours,

<u>/s/ Mike McGrath</u> MIKE McGRATH Attorney General

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NOTICE OF FUNCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE REVIEW COMMITTEE Interim Committees and the Environmental Quality Council

Administrative rule review is a function of interim committees and the Environmental Quality Council (EQC). These interim committees and the EQC have administrative rule review, program evaluation, and monitoring functions for the following executive branch agencies and the entities attached to agencies for administrative purposes.

Economic Affairs Interim Committee:

- Department of Agriculture;
- Department of Commerce;
- Department of Labor and Industry;
- Department of Livestock;
- > Department of Public Service Regulation; and
- Office of the State Auditor and Insurance Commissioner.

Education and Local Government Interim Committee:

- > State Board of Education;
- Board of Public Education;
- Board of Regents of Higher Education; and
- Office of Public Instruction.

Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee:

Department of Public Health and Human Services.

Law and Justice Interim Committee:

- Department of Corrections; and
- Department of Justice.

Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee:

Department of Revenue; and

Department of Transportation.

State Administration, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee:

Department of Administration;

- Department of Military Affairs; and
- Office of the Secretary of State.

Environmental Quality Council:

- Department of Environmental Quality;
- Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks; and
- Department of Natural Resources and Conservation.

These interim committees and the EQC have the authority to make recommendations to an agency regarding the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule or to request that the agency prepare a statement of the estimated economic impact of a proposal. They also may poll the members of the Legislature to determine if a proposed rule is consistent with the intent of the Legislature or, during a legislative session, introduce a bill repealing a rule, or directing an agency to adopt or amend a rule, or a Joint Resolution recommending that an agency adopt, amend, or repeal a rule.

The interim committees and the EQC welcome comments and invite members of the public to appear before them or to send written statements in order to bring to their attention any difficulties with the existing or proposed rules. The mailing address is PO Box 201706, Helena, MT 59620-1706.

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HOW TO USE THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA AND THE MONTANA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER

Definitions: <u>Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM)</u> is a looseleaf compilation by department of all rules of state departments and attached boards presently in effect, except rules adopted up to three months previously.

> Montana Administrative Register (MAR) is a soft back, bound publication, issued twice-monthly, containing notices of rules proposed by agencies, notices of rules adopted by agencies, and interpretations of statutes and rules by the attorney general (Attorney General's Opinions) and agencies (Declaratory Rulings) issued since publication of the preceding register.

<u>Use of the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM):</u>

- Known1. Consult ARM topical index.SubjectUpdate the rule by checking the accumulative
table and the table of contents in the last
Montana Administrative Register issued.
- Statute2. Go to cross reference table at end of eachNumber andtitle which lists MCA section numbers andDepartmentcorresponding ARM rule numbers.

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To be current on proposed and adopted rulemaking, it is necessary to check the ARM updated through March 31, 2002, this table and the table of contents of this issue of the MAR.

This table indicates the department name, title number, rule numbers in ascending order, catchphrase or the subject matter of the rule and the page number at which the action is published in the 2001 and 2002 Montana Administrative Registers.

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Section 2-15-108, MCA, passed by the 1991 Legislature, directed that all appointing authorities of all appointive boards, commissions, committees and councils of state government take positive action to attain gender balance and proportional representation of minority residents to the greatest extent possible.

One directive of 2-15-108, MCA, is that the Secretary of State publish monthly in the *Montana Administrative Register* a list of appointees and upcoming or current vacancies on those boards and councils.

In this issue, appointments effective in June 2002, appear. Vacancies scheduled to appear from August 1, 2002, through October 31, 2002, are listed, as are current vacancies due to resignations or other reasons. Individuals interested in serving on a board should refer to the bill that created the board for details about the number of members to be appointed and necessary qualifications.

Each month, the previous month's appointees are printed, and current and upcoming vacancies for the next three months are published.

IMPORTANT

Membership on boards and commissions changes constantly. The following lists are current as of July 2, 2002.

For the most up-to-date information of the status of membership, or for more detailed information on the qualifications and requirements to serve on a board, contact the appointing authority.

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	Appointment/End Date
Board of Barbers (Labor and D Mr. Edward Dutton Kalispell Qualifications (if required):	Governor	reappointed	6/11/2002 7/1/2005
Ms. Delores Lund Reserve Qualifications (if required):	Governor public member	reappointed	6/11/2002 7/1/2005
Board of Crime Control (Justi Reverend Steven Rice Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Governor	McCall the Youth Justice	6/11/2002 1/1/2003 Council
Eastern Montana State Veterar Mr. Bob Beals Forsyth Qualifications (if required):	Director	Council (Military not listed	
Ms. Sylvia Beals Forsyth Qualifications (if required):	Director : American Legion	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Jim Bertrand Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Director : Veterans of Foreig	not listed gn Wars	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Bill Dolatta Terry Qualifications (if required):	Director : Vietnam Veterans c	not listed of America	6/1/2002 6/1/2004

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	Appointment/End Date
Eastern Montana State Veteran Ms. Linda Dolatta Terry	Director	not listed	
Qualifications (if required):	American Legion Au	xiliary	
Ms. Donna Dukart Miles City	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	American Legion Au	xiliary	
Mr. Tom Frank Miles City	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	alternate		
Mr. Tom Handl Miles City	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	Veterans of Foreig	n Wars	
Mr. Tony Harbaugh Miles City	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	Custer County Sher	iff	
Ms. Betty Hopkins Ismay	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	Disabled American	Veterans Auxiliary	7
Mr. Henry "Bill" Hopkins Ismay	Director	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Qualifications (if required):	Disabled American	Veterans	
Mr. James F. Jacobsen Helena Qualifications (if required):	Director none specified	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	Appointment/End Date
Eastern Montana State Veterar Mr. Victor Leikam Billings Qualifications (if required):	Director	Council (Military not listed	Affairs) cont. 6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Ms. Myrtle Meissner Circle Qualifications (if required):	Director Veterans of Foreig	not listed yn Wars Auxiliary	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Ms. Edith Pawlowski Circle Qualifications (if required):	Director Veterans of Foreig	not listed gn Wars Auxiliary	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. David Peterson Billings Qualifications (if required):	Director Disabled American	not listed Veterans	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Frederick S. Rambur Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Director Department of Mili	not listed itary Affairs	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Alexander Russell Melstone Qualifications (if required):	Director Military Order of	not listed the Purple Heart	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. John S. Salazar Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Director : Department of Mil:	not listed itary Affairs	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Joe Stevenson Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Director Custer County Com	not listed	6/1/2002 6/1/2004

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	Appointment/End Date
Eastern Montana State Veterar Mr. Frank Stoltz Miles City Qualifications (if required):	Director	Council (Military not listed	Affairs) cont. 6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Mr. Stanley Watson Forsyth Qualifications (if required):	Director Marine Corps Leagu	not listed 1e	6/1/2002 6/1/2004
Family Education Savings Prog Mr. Scott Darkenwald Helena Qualifications (if required):	Governor	tee (Commissioner Ranf	of Higher Education) 6/5/2002 7/1/2004
Governor's Local Option Touri Mr. Kurt Alme Helena Qualifications (if required):	Governor	Snezek	6/24/2002 12/31/2002 fice
Montana Vocational Rehabilita Ms. Myrle Tompkins Helena Qualifications (if required):	Director	c Health and Human Longie	Services) 6/17/2002 6/17/2004
Public Safety Communications Mr. John Blacker Helena Qualifications (if required):	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Mr. Tim Burton Helena Qualifications (if required):	Governor representative of	not listed local government	6/18/2002 6/18/2004

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	Appointment/End Date
Public Safety Communications Dr. Drew Dawson Helena	Council (Administrat Governor	tion) cont. not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	the emergency medi	
Ms. Jane Ellis Missoula	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	the 9-1-1 communit	Y
Mr. Larry Fasbender Helena	Governor	Fasbender	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	designee of the At	ctorney General	
Commissioner Gary Fjelstad Forsyth	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	county government	
Mr. William Jameson Bozeman	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	citizens at large	
Mr. Doug King Billings Gwolifigationg (if nogwined):	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	rederal government	
Mr. Chuck Maxwell Billings	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required): Peace Officers Association	representative of	law enforcement an	d the Sheriffs and

Appointee	Appointed by	<u>Succeeds</u>	Appointment/End Date
Public Safety Communications Mr. Ken Mergenthaler	Council (Administrat Governor	ion) cont. not listed	6/18/2002
East Helena Qualifications (if required):	representative of	volunteer fire pro	6/18/2004
Mr. Kevin Olson	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002
Havre Qualifications (if required): of Chiefs of Police	representative of	law enforcement an	6/18/2004 nd Montana Association
Colonel Stan Putnam	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002
Helena			6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	state government	
Ms. Elisabeth S. Rice Butte	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required): utilities	representative of	Northwestern Energ	
Mr. Derek Siegle Billings	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	federal government	
Mr. Larry Wetsit	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002
Scobey Qualifications (if required):	representative of	the Tribes	6/18/2004
Mr. Chuck Winn	Governor	not listed	6/18/2002
Bozeman Qualifications (if required):	representative of	fire protection se	6/18/2004 ervices

Appointee	Appointed by	Succeeds	<u>Appointment/End Date</u>
Public Safety Communications Mr. Brian Wolf Helena	Governor	Wolf	6/18/2002 6/18/2004
Qualifications (if required): Administration	aesignee of the ai	rector of the Depa	Irtment of
State Library Commission (Sta	ate Library)		
Mr. Alvin Randall Troy Qualifications (if required):	Governor	reappointed	6/17/2002 5/22/2005
	F		
Ms. Gail Staffanson	Governor	Laird	6/17/2002
Sidney Qualifications (if required):	: public member		5/22/2005
State-Tribal Economic Develop	oment Commission (Ind	lian Affairs)	
Mr. Lloyd Irvine Pablo	Governor	not listed	6/30/2002 6/30/2005
Qualifications (if required): Tribe	representative of	the Confederated S	alish and Kootenai
Mr. Jake Parker	Governor	not listed	6/30/2002
Box Elder Qualifications (if required):	representative of	the Rocky Boy Trik	6/30/2005 De
Mr. John Woodenlegs Lame Deer	Governor	not listed	6/30/2002 6/30/2005
Qualifications (if required):	representative of	the Northern Cheye	enne Tribe

Board/current position holder	Appointed by	<u>Term end</u>
Alternative Health Care Board (Commerce) Ms. Ann H. Pasha, Highwood Qualifications (if required): public member	Governor	9/1/2002
Ms. Kathee Dunham, Arlee Qualifications (if required): direct midwife	Governor	9/1/2002
Board of Medical Examiners (Commerce) Mr. David B. Huebner, Great Falls Qualifications (if required): licensed podiatrist	Governor	9/1/2002
Dr. Donald Grewell, Billings Qualifications (if required): doctor of osteopathy	Governor	9/1/2002
Dr. Anne M. Williams, Glasgow Qualifications (if required): doctor of medicine	Governor	9/1/2002
Board of Outfitters (Commerce) Ms. Jennifer J. Cote, Missoula Qualifications (if required): sportsperson	Governor	10/1/2002
Mr. Wayne L. Underwood, Billings Qualifications (if required): sportsperson	Governor	10/1/2002
Mr. Mel Montgomery, Lima Qualifications (if required): big game outfitter	Governor	10/1/2002
Mr. Leslie K. Dolezal, Billings Qualifications (if required): public member	Governor	10/1/2002

Board/current position holder

Appointed by Term end

Board of Private Security Patrol Officers and Investigators (Commerce) Ms. Francine Britton, Billings Governor 8/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the Peace Officers Standards and Training Advisory Council

Mr. Donald R. Houghton, Bozeman Governor 8/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the Peace Officers Standards and Training Advisory Council

Board of Private Security Patrol Officers and Investigators (Labor and Industry) Dr. Raymond C. Murray, Missoula Governor 8/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representing the Peace Officers Standards and Training Advisory Council

Board of Psychologists (Commerce)Governor9/1/2002Mr. Mike Mullowney, AbsarokeeGovernor9/1/2002Qualifications (if required): public memberGovernor9/1/2002

Board of Veterans' Affairs (Military Affairs)Mr. George G. Hageman, JordanGovernorQualifications (if required): veteran

Building Codes Council (Commerce) Mr. Fred Flanders, Helena Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the public

Mr. Daniel Prill, Great Falls Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): practicing professional engineer

Mr. Robert J. Karhu, Helena Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): practicing architect

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Building Codes Council (Commerce) cont. Mr. Mike Skinner, Helena Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the manufactured housing industry Mr. Joe Wolfe, Helena Governor 10/1/2002Oualifications (if required): representative of the State Electrical Board Mr. Terry Phillips, Helena Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): State Fire Marshal Mr. Derek J. Brown, Helena Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the home building industry Mr. Dick Grover, Missoula Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the State Plumbing Board Mr. Jeffrey Jenkins, Great Falls Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): municipal building inspector Mr. Joe Hansen, Bozeman Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the building contractor industry Mr. Howard Reid, Helena Governor 10/1/2002Qualifications (if required): representative of the Department of Public Health and Human Services Burial Preservation Board (Governor) Mr. Mickey Nelson, Helena Governor 8/22/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the Montana Coroner's Association Mr. Duncan Standing Rock, Sr., Box Elder 8/22/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of the Chippewa-Cree Tribe

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Burial Preservation Board (Governor) cont. Mrs. Germaine White, St. Ignatius Governor 8/22/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the Little Shell Tribe 8/22/2002 Mr. George Reed, Sr., Crow Agency Governor Oualifications (if required): representative of the Crow Tribe Ms. Sherri Deaver, Billings Governor 8/22/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of the Archeological Society 8/22/2002 Mr. Ben Speak Thunder, Harlem Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of the Fort Belknap Tribe Family Support Services Advisory Council (Public Health and Human Services) Mr. Mike Cooney, Helena 9/27/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): representing Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Ms. Sylvia Danforth, Miles City 9/27/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of provider/Part C Agency Mr. Ted Maloney, Missoula Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative at large Mr. Dan McCarthy, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Oualifications (if required): agency representative/preschool specialist/SEA Ms. Sandi Marisdotter, Helena 9/27/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): representing provider/Part C Agency 9/27/2002 Ms. Sue Forest, Missoula Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of personnel preparation

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Family Support Services Advisory Council (Public Health and Human Services) cont. Ms. Cris Volinkaty, Missoula Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representing provider/Part C Agency Ms. Barbara Stefanic, Laurel 9/27/2002 Governor Oualifications (if required): LEA representative for special education co-operatives Mr. John Holbrook, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): agency representative/State Insurance Commissioner Ms. Jackie Jandt, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Oualifications (if required): agency representative/mental health Ms. Sharon Wagner, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative/Special Health Services 9/27/2002 Ms. Millie Kindle, Malta Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of Parent Region I 9/27/2002 Sen. Gerald Pease, Lodge Grass Governor Qualifications (if required): legislator and representative of Parent Region II Ms. Lynda Korth, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative/Child and Family Services Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim, Helena 9/27/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of medical/health care services Ms. Patti Russ, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): agency representative/child care 9/27/2002 Ms. Liz Harter, Helena Governor Qualifications (if required): agency representative/State Insurance Commissioner

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Family Support Services Advisory Council (Public Health and Human Services) cont. Ms. Kelly Johnson, Kalispell Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of parents at large Ms. Ann Marie Johnson, Missoula 9/27/2002 Governor Oualifications (if required): representative of Head Start Ms. Lucy Hart-Paulson, Missoula Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): therapist representative Ms. Sandy McGennis, Great Falls Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of providers Ms. Denise King, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): agency representative/EPSDT 9/27/2002 Ms. Gwen Beyer, Missoula Governor Qualifications (if required): representative of Parent Region V 9/27/2002 Ms. Phyllis Astheimer, Bozeman Governor Oualifications (if required): family support specialist 9/27/2002 Mr. Brian Lenhardt, Havre Governor Qualifications (if required): parent representative from Region II Ms. Rene Lenhardt, Havre 9/27/2002 Governor Oualifications (if required): parent representative from Region II Ms. Shelley Korth, Helena Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): parent representative from Region IV 9/27/2002 Mr. Jay Korth, Helena Governor Qualifications (if required): parent representative from Region IV

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Family Support Services Advisory Council (Public Health and Human Services) cont. Ms. Novelene Martin, Miles City Governor 9/27/2002 Qualifications (if required): DDP Field Services Specialist representative Historical Records Advisory Council (Historical Society) Ms. Molly Miller, Helena Governor 10/18/2002 Qualifications (if required): acting state archivist Ms. Anne L. Foster, Huntley Governor 10/18/2002 Oualifications (if required): public member Historical Society Preservation Review Board (Historical Society) Ms. Theo Hugs, Fort Smith 10/1/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): historian Mr. Douglas Johnson, Hamilton 10/1/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): administrator of historic property Independent Living Council (Public Health and Human Services) Mr. Robert D. Liston, Missoula 8/7/2002 Director Oualifications (if required): representing advocates and consumers Ms. Carol LaRocque, Great Falls Director 8/7/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative from state agencies who provide service to the disabled Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission (Historical Society) Mr. Darrell Kipp, Browning Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): member of a Montana Indian tribe Ms. Betty Stone, Glasgow 10/1/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): public member

Board/current position holder Appointed by Term end Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission (Historical Society) cont. Mr. Homer Staves, Billings Governor 10/1/2002 Qualifications (if required): public member Montana Historical Records Advisory Council (Historical Society) Ms. Ellen Crain, Butte Governor 10/18/2002 Qualifications (if required): public member Ms. Jodi L. Allison-Bunnell, Missoula Governor 10/18/2002 Oualifications (if required): public member Ms. Kathy Mosdal O'Brien, Billings 10/18/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): public member 10/18/2002 Mr. Kim Allen Scott, Bozeman Governor Qualifications (if required): public member Ms. Judy Ellinghausen, Great Falls 10/18/2002 Governor Qualifications (if required): public member Ms. Lory Morrow, Helena Governor 10/18/2002 Qualifications (if required): public member Montana Wheat and Barley Committee (Agriculture) Mr. Leonard Schock, Vida Governor 8/20/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of District VII and a Republican Mr. Daniel Kidd, Big Sandy Governor 8/20/2002 Qualifications (if required): representative of District IV and a Republican Noxious Weed Seed Free Forage Advisory Council (Agriculture) Mr. W. Ralph Peck, Helena 10/11/2002 Director Qualifications (if required): Director

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Noxious Weed Seed Free Forage Mr. Harry Woll, Kalispell Qualifications (if required):	Advisory Council (Agricultu: forage producer	re) cont. Director	10/11/2002
Mr. LaMonte Schnur, Townsend Qualifications (if required):	forage producer	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Don Walker, Glendive Qualifications (if required):	forage producer	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Dennis Perry, Choteau Qualifications (if required):	feed pellets/cubes products	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Bob McNeill, Dillon Qualifications (if required):	outfitters and guides	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Dennis Cash, Bozeman Qualifications (if required):	ex-officio	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Ray Ditterline, Bozeman Qualifications (if required):	ex-officio	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Clay Williams, Livingston Qualifications (if required):	weed districts	Director	10/11/2002
Mr. Wayne Maughn, Fort Benton Qualifications (if required):	livestock/agriculture	Director	10/11/2002
Ms. Marcy Mack, Pablo Qualifications (if required):	weed districts	Director	10/11/2002

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Small Business Compliance Assistance Advisory Council (Er Ms. Sandy Newton, Helena Qualifications (if required): public member	nvironmental Quality Governor	7) 10/1/2002
Ms. Karen Williams, Helena Qualifications (if required): public member	Governor	10/1/2002
Vocational Rehabilitation Center (Public Health and Humar Ms. Bonnie Rollins, Glendive Qualifications (if required): none specified	n Services) Director	8/7/2002
Mr. Jim Daily, Butte Qualifications (if required): none specified	Director	8/7/2002
Water and Waste Water Operators' Advisory Council (Enviro Mr. Roger Thomas, Billings Qualifications (if required): wastewater treatment plant	Governor	10/16/2002