NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 18, 2013, at 1:00 p.m., in Room 1, Level 2, 30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to consider the following:

Amending the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4123-17-15 Professional employer organizations (rescind/replace).
4123-17-15.1 PEO agreements.
4123-17-15.2 Registration and reporting requirements. (Appendix: Registration and renewal fees)
4123-17-15.3 Security requirements.
4123-17-15.4 Financial requirements.
4123-17-15.5 Self-Insuring PEOs.
4123-17-15.6 Client employer information.
4123-17-15.7 Denial or revocation of PEO registration.

4123-14-06 Bureau of workers' compensation adjudicating committee.

Proposed rules 4123-17-15 through 4123-17-15.7 govern the registration, recognition, and regulation of professional employer organizations (PEOs) in Ohio. The existing rule 4123-17-15 is rescinded and replaced with a series of rules.

In connection with the five-year rule review of the PEO rule, BWC noted a discrepancy between Section 4123.291 of the Revised Code and rule 4123-14-06 of the Administrative Code, setting forth jurisdiction of the Adjudicating Committee with respect to a PEO's right to appeal the amount of security required by the agency to the Adjudicating Committee. The proposed amendment to rule 4123-14-06 corrects this discrepancy.

The full and complete text of the proposed rules is available at the Register of Ohio (http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us) and is on file in the office of the Secretary of State (180 East Broad Street, 15th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Legislative Service Commission (77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the office of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (77 South High Street, Concourse Level, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Legal Operations (30 West Spring Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio), 1st Floor, Hearing Rooms), and all service offices of the Bureau.

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. Any interested party unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the public hearing at <u>enotification@bwc.state.oh.us</u>.

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