

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:

Enacting the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4167-1-01 Definitions.
4167-2-01 Refusal to work.
4167-2-02 Complaint by public employee.
4167-3-01 Employment risk reduction standards.
4167-3-02 Emergency temporary standards.
4167-3-05 Ohio specific safety standards.
4167-4-01 Notice to employees.
4167-6-01 Recording and reporting occupational injuries and illnesses.
4167-6-11 Needlestick records.
4167-7-01 Variances from Ohio public employment risk reduction standards.
4167-8-01 Inspection procedures.
4167-8-02 Finding of imminent danger.
4167-8-03 Citations.
4167-10-01 Protection of trade secrets and confidential information.
4167-10-02 Required disclosure of trade secrets and confidential information to health professionals.
4167-14-01 Contest of citation.

Amending the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4167-5-01 Abatement dates.
4167-5-02 Undue hardship.
4167-5-03 Petition for a modification of abatement date.
4167-6-10 Reporting of fatality or multiple hospitalization accidents.
4167-13-01 Abatement verification.
4167-14-02 Hearings and appeals.

Rescinding the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4167-1-01 Definitions.
4167-1-02 Official address.
4167-1-16 Filing of documents.
4167-1-17 Continuances.
4167-1-18 Stipulations.
4167-1-19 Exhibits.
4167-2-01 Refusal to work.
4167-2-02 Employee rights.
4167-2-03 Employer rights.
4167-2-04 Inspection and enforcement procedure.
4167-3-01 Incorporation by reference.
4167-3-02 Adoption of standards.
4167-3-03 Adoption of standards.
4167-3-05 Ohio specific safety standards.

4167-3-06 Safe needle standards.
4167-4-01 Notification to employees.
4167-6-01 Recording and reporting occupational injuries and illnesses.
4167-6-02 Log and summary of work-related injuries and illnesses.
4167-6-03 Supplementary record.
4167-6-04 Annual summary.
4167-6-05 Falsification and failure to keep records or reports.
4167-6-07 Retention of records.
4167-6-08 Access to records.
4167-7-01 Variances from Ohio Public Employment Risk Reduction standards.
4167-8-01 Inspection procedures.
4167-10-01 Protection of trade secrets and confidential information.
4167-11-01 Emergency temporary standard.
4167-14-01 Contest of citation.
4167-15-01 Exemption application requirements.
4167-15-02 Exemption may be revoked.

Pursuant to R.C. 119.032, state agencies are required to review all agency rules every five years to determine whether to amend the rules, rescind the rules, or continue the rules without change. The above rules are a product of this review and the changes, if any, were considered to comply with current Federal regulations of the public employer risk reduction program.

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 enotification@bwc.state.oh.us.

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