

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 306 of 1969**

**24.244 Notice of public hearings on rules; exceptions to requirements; applicability of MCL 24.241 and 24.242 to rules promulgated under Michigan occupational safety and health act or determination under MCL 24.245c(3); "substantially similar" defined.**

Sec. 44.

(1) Sections 41 and 42 do not apply to an amendment or rescission of a rule that is obsolete or superseded, or that is required to make obviously needed corrections to make the rule conform to an amended or new statute or to accomplish any other solely formal purpose, if a statement to that effect is included in the legislative service bureau certificate of approval of the rule.

(2) Sections 41 and 42 do not apply to a rule that is promulgated under the Michigan occupational safety and health act, 1974 PA 154, MCL 408.1001 to 408.1094, that is substantially similar to an existing federal standard that has been adopted or promulgated under the occupational safety and health act of 1970, Public Law 91-596. However, notice of the proposed rule must be published in the Michigan Register not less than 35 days before the rule is filed with the secretary of state under section 46(1). A reasonable period, not to exceed 21 days, must be provided for the submission of written or electronic comments and views following publication in the Michigan Register.

(3) Sections 41 and 42 do not apply to a change to a proposed rule by an agency during processing of the rule if the office determines under section 45c(3) that the regulatory impact and impact on small businesses of the changed proposed rule are not more burdensome than the regulatory impact and impact on small businesses of the original proposed rule.

(4) For purposes of subsection (2), "substantially similar" means identical, with the exception of style or format differences needed to conform to this or other state laws, as determined by the office.

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