INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE (ICAR) RULES MINUTES

Meeting Date/Location: July 11, 2017, Pavilion Building, 5th floor conference room, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609

Members Present: Chair Brad Ferland, Dirk Anderson, Jen Duggan, Ashley Berliner, Diane Bothfeld, Clare O’Shaughnessy, and John Kessler

Members Absent: Steve Knudson and Karen Songhurst

Minutes By: Erika Paulan

2:00 p.m. Welcome and introductions.
2:05 p.m. Review and approval of minutes from the June 29, 2017 meeting.
2:07 p.m. Addition to agenda: Discussed the need to meet prior to August 1, 2017 to hear ‘The Vermont Appliance Efficiency and Water Conservation Standards’ Rule, from the Department of Public Safety, due to statutory obligations. Committee will work on scheduling.

2:10 p.m. No public comments made.
2:11 p.m. Chair advised the committee that he approved an Emergency Rule for the Lottery Commission titled ‘Lucky for Life’ on June 28, 2017.

2:12 p.m. Proposed Rule: Regulation I-79-02 (Revised), Fair Claims Practices, Department of Financial Regulation

No official action was taken on this rule at the 7/10/17 meeting of ICAR.

The Department of Financial Regulation decided that appearing before ICAR again in mid-August or early September was a more realistic timetable for them.

2:24 p.m. Proposed Rule: Health Benefit Eligibility and Enrollment Rule (HBEE) Parts 1-5, 7-8, Agency of Human Services

Motion made to accept the rule by Diane Bothfeld, seconded by John Kessler, and passed unanimously except for Ashley Berliner who abstained with the following recommendations.

1. John suggested that a glossary of terms/acronym list be added to the Coversheet.
2. In part 10 of the Proposed Coversheet, John suggested the addition of the information that this rule will create a new pressure on the budget, and that half of the revenue is matched by the federal government. Diane suggested adding the economic impact to constituents, and Brad suggested adding the approximate number of people impacted.
3. Clare mentioned adding the Secretary of State log# to part 5 of the Adopting Page.
4. In Part 1, Section 4.02 (b), Clare suggesting putting “religion” back into the language, or adding a footnote indicating religious protection in another rule.
5. In Part 5, Section 29.08 (F) (I) (i) page 34, Diane suggests clarifying the language of this statement. John suggests separating the date and the explanation for clarity.

3:10 p.m. Next scheduled meeting is August 14, 2017 – subject to change.
3:11 p.m. Adjourn.