

**CHAPTER 6
RULEMAKING**

Authority

N.J.S.A. 34:1-20, 34:1A-3(e), 52:14B-4(f), and N.J.A.C. 1:30-3.6.

Source and Effective Date

R.1993 d.512, effective September 24, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 3682(a), 25 N.J.R. 4748(b).

Executive Order No. 66(1978) Expiration Date

Chapter 6, Rulemaking, expires on September 24, 1998.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 6, Rulemaking, was adopted as R.1988 d.494, effective October 17, 1988. See: 20 N.J.R. 2012(a), 20 N.J.R. 2586(a). Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 6 was readopted as R.1993 d.512. See: Source and Effective Date.

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12:6-1.1 Scope

This subchapter shall apply to all petitions made by interested persons for the promulgation, amendment or repeal of any rule by the Department of Labor, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-4(f).

12:6-1.2 Procedure for petitioner

(a) Any person who wishes to petition the Department to promulgate, amend or repeal a rule must submit to the Commissioner, in writing, the following information:

1. Name of the petitioner;
2. The substance or nature of the rulemaking which is requested;
3. The reasons for the request and the petitioner's interest in the request; and
4. References to the authority of the Department to take the requested action.

(b) Petitions shall be sent to the following address:

Commissioner of Labor
New Jersey Department of Labor
CN 110
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0110

(c) Any document submitted to the Department of Labor which is not in substantial compliance with (a) above shall not be deemed to be a petition for a rule requiring further Department action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-4(f).

12:6-1.3 Procedure of the Department

(a) Upon receipt of a petition in compliance with N.J.A.C. 12:6-1.2, the Department will file a notice of petition with the Office of Administrative Law for publication in the New Jersey Register (Register). The notice will include:

1. The name of the petitioner;
2. The substance or nature of the rulemaking action which is requested;
3. The problem or purpose which is the subject of the request; and
4. The date the petition was received.

(b) Within 30 days of receiving the petition, the Department will mail to the petitioner, and file with the Office of Administrative Law for publication in the Register, a notice of action on the petition which will include:

1. The name of the petitioner;
2. The Register citation for the notice of petition, if that notice appeared in a previous Register;
3. Certification by the Commissioner that the petition was duly considered pursuant to law;
4. The nature or substance of the Department's action upon the petition; and
5. A brief statement of reasons for the Department's action.

(c) Department action on a petition may include:

1. Denying the petition;
2. Filing a notice of proposed rule or a notice of pre-proposal for a rule with the Office of Administrative Law; or
3. Referring the matter for further deliberations, the nature of which will be specified and which will conclude upon a specified date. The results of these further deliberations will be mailed to the petitioner and submitted to the Office of Administrative Law for publication in the Register.