

## Agency Proposal for Legislation for the 2017 Legislative Session

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1. What is the problem or issue?

UI Housekeeping bill to streamline and reduce unnecessary options for appeal routes.

2. What do you want the legislation to do?

**39-51-2404. Appeal to board procedure.** An interested party who is dissatisfied with a decision of an appeals referee may appeal to the board. The department shall promptly transmit all records pertinent to the appeal to the board. The appeal hearing may be conducted by telephone or by videoconference. When a decision is rendered by the board and copies of the decision are mailed to all interested parties, including the department, that decision is final unless an interested party ~~requests a rehearing or~~ initiates judicial review by filing a petition in district court within 30 days of the date of sending the board's decision to the party's address of record.

3. If possible, please list the MCA (Montana Code Annotated) sections that would need to be amended.

See above

4. If the proposed change requires additional funding, what funding sources do you propose (e.g., an increase in or both)?

NA

5. Has similar legislation been requested in the past, been introduced in another state, or provided as a model act? If so, please provide a citation, reference, or point of contact.

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