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Notice of Action on Petition for Rulemaking



Unfair Practice Proceedings

N.J.A.C. 19:14

Petitioner: Charles Wowkanech, President, New Jersey State AFL-CIO.

Take notice that on December 11, 2024, the Public Employment Relations Commission (Commission) received a petition for rulemaking requesting that N.J.A.C. 19:14-2.1(a) be amended to require that the Commission's Director of Unfair Practices (Director) make a complaint issuance determination within 60 days of the filing of an unfair practice charge. A notice acknowledging receipt of the petition and summarizing its contents was published in the January 21, 2025 New Jersey Register at 57 N.J.R. 212(c). A notice indicating that the petition was considered by the Commission at its regular public meeting on January 30, 2025 and referred for further deliberations not to exceed 90 days pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(a)3 was published in the March 17, 2025 New Jersey Register at 57 N.J.R. 620(a).

Take further notice that this petition was further considered by the Commission at its regular public meeting on April 24, 2025. These further deliberations included reviewing the petition along with comments submitted by the League of Municipalities, the Association of Counties, the New Jersey State Bar Association, and the Genova Burns law firm. Following discussion, the Commission voted to extend further deliberations. N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(b). Following the Commission meeting, the Commission sought the petitioner's consent to extend further deliberations for 120 days so that the Commission could collaborate with its Unfair

Practices staff to identify whether there is any timeline for complaint issuance that will support the agency's settlement efforts while also navigating operational challenges relating to staffing levels and budget constraints. The Commission and AFL-CIO ultimately agreed to extend further deliberations until June 30, 2025.

Accordingly, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(b), this matter is referred for additional further deliberations until June 30, 2025. A copy of this public notice is being mailed to the petitioner and posted on the Commission's website. N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(b), (d), and (e).