

In this subsection, the word "regulation" is substituted, as the defined term, for the former word "rule", to distinguish, to the extent possible, between regulations of executive units and rules of judicial or legislative units and to establish consistency in the use of these words. This substitution conforms to the practice of the Division of State Documents. See, however, revisor's note to § 7-201(h) of this article.

In the introductory clause of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the word "means" is substituted for the former word "includes", since the former word did not seem to apply to the elements set forth in paragraph (1)(i) through (iii) of this subsection, but rather seemed to apply only to the form. Thus, in paragraph (1)(iv) of this subsection, the defined term "including" is added.

In paragraph (1)(iii) of this subsection, the defined term "unit" is substituted for the former word "agency", which had limited application in light of the definition of that word in former Art. 41, § 244(a). This substitution is consistent with the incorporation by reference of the definition of "[r]ule" in former Art. 41, § 256B(f), which defined the word "rule" for purposes of the State Documents Law although that Law applied to units that were not within the former definition of "agency". This substitution permits the use of the defined term "regulation" to clarify provisions of the former law that referred, e.g., to a "rule, regulation, or standard" without delineating the scope of the reference.

Also in paragraph (1)(iii) of this subsection, the former phrase "whether with or without prior hearing" is deleted as unnecessary in light of other provisions of law that specify those instances when a hearing is required.

In paragraph (1)(iii)1. of this subsection, the former word "enforced" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad word "administers".

In paragraph (2)(i) of this subsection, the word "statement" is substituted for the former word "regulations", to conform to paragraph (1) of this subsection and to avoid using the defined term as an exception to the definition.

Defined terms: "Includes"; "including" § 1-101
"Unit" § 10-101

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