

181—1.3(546,17A) Waiver. The purpose of these rules is to facilitate the business before the department and to promote a just resolution of controversies. Consistent with this purpose, the application of any of these rules, unless otherwise provided for by law, may be waived by the department to prevent undue hardship to a party to a departmental proceeding or to a person transacting business with the department. The reasons for granting a waiver of a departmental rule shall be stated in writing and shall be made a part of the record of the proceeding or a part of the departmental file in other matters.