**Section 210.70 Authority of Hearing Officer**

A Hearing Officer shall:

a) require prior submission of testimony and exhibits in writing;

b) require all parties to state their position with respect to a proposal;

c) administer oaths and affirmations;

d) examine witnesses and direct witnesses to testify;

e) regulate the course of the hearing, maintain order and develop a clear and complete record;

f) limit the number of times a witness may testify, and limit repetitious or cumulative testimony;

g) issue discovery orders;

h) rule upon objections to subpoenas and discovery orders, and all motions presented during the course of the hearing.