**Section 975.270 Public Comment**

a) *Notification of a 30-day general public comment period shall be given to the community into which a grant applicant proposes to expand by publication in at least one newspaper of general circulation in that community.* (Section 30(b) of the Act) Comments shall be submitted to the Department.

b) *The Department shall consider the contents of written comments only as part of the overall grant review process.* (Section 30(b) of the Act)