**Section 104.285 Failure to Appear or Proceed**

a) If the vendor or alternate payee, without good cause, fails to appear at a hearing or formal conference scheduled by the Department, or fails to proceed at a hearing, the Department's action or decision and the grounds asserted as the basis therefor shall be a final and binding administrative determination.

b) If the Department fails, without good cause, to appear at the hearing or formal conference, or fails to proceed at a hearing, the Department's action shall be dismissed.

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