

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENINGS

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening whenever an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

BOARD OF PHARMACY

1. **Title and its heading:** 4, Professions and Occupations
Chapter and its heading: 23, Board of Pharmacy
Articles and their headings: 1, Administration
2, Pharmacist Registration
Section numbers: R4-23-110, R4-23-201, R4-23-202, and R4-23-203
2. **Subject matter of the proposed rules:**

The rule addresses pharmacist licensure by examination and reciprocity. The rule amends specific Sections to conform with changes made by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. The Arizona Board of Pharmacy is a member of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and uses the National Association of Board of Pharmacy Licensure Examination (NABPLEX) to license Arizona pharmacists by examination. The NABP has always been on the leading edge of pharmacist registration methods and is now implementing computer adaptive testing. The NABP is also expanding their scope to include Canada, and to complete this process the name of the examination has changed to the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX). The rule changes all references to NABPLEX to conform with the new title, NAPLEX. The changes made by NABP are effective with the licensure examination scheduled for March 1997. The rule includes changes in the fees detailed in R4-23-205 related to licensure by examination and reciprocity. A docket addressing this fee change was opened on May 12, 1995, under docket number R9505 published in 1 A.A.R. 461, May 12, 1995. The rule also includes the time frame requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.

The agency docket number, if applicable:
R9603
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening:
1 A.A.R. 461, May 12, 1995
4. **Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**

Name: Dean Wright, Compliance Officer
Address: Board of Pharmacy
5060 North 19th Avenue, Suite 101
Phoenix, Arizona 85015
Telephone: (602) 255-5125, ext. 131
Fax: (602) 255-5740
5. **The time during which written submissions may be made and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

The Board will accept written comments between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
The Board will accept oral comments between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the location listed above.
Written and oral comments will be accepted until the close of record on a date and time as yet undetermined.
6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:**

None.

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BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

1. **Title and its heading:** 4, Professions and Occupations
Chapter and its heading: 43, Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
Articles and its heading: 4, General Provisions
Section numbers: R4-43-204
2. **Subject matter of the proposed rules:**

The Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners has opened rulemaking docket number 96-02 for the purpose of enlarging the choices of continuing education to meet the continuing education requirement for the renewal of a license. An Occupational Therapist Registered requires 10 hours of continuing education for the renewal of license and the Occupational Therapy Assistant requires 6 hours of continuing education for the renewal of license.
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

None published.
4. **Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**

Name: Kenneth D. Fink
Address: Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
1400 West Washington Street, Suite #240
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Telephone: (602) 542-6784
Fax: (602) 542-5469
5. **The time during which written submissions may be made and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

The Board will accept written comments from November 1, 1996, to November 11, 1996. Additional comments will be accepted after the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is published in the *Register* within the month of October 1996.

Oral comments will be accepted as follows:

Date: November 15, 1996
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
1400 West Washington Street, Room #320
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:**

A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking will be submitted to the Secretary of State for publication in the *Register* prior to September 20, 1996.

A Notice of Final Rulemaking will be submitted to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council prior to January 20, 1996.

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

1. **Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services
Chapter and its heading: 8, Department of Health Services - Food, Recreational and Institutional Sanitation
Articles and its heading: 14, Objectionable Facilities and Animals
Section numbers: R9-8-1411 through R9-8-1413
2. **Subject matter of the proposed rules:**

The Department plans to repeal 9 A.A.C. 8, Article 14, entitled Objectionable Facilities and Animals. The current rules, adopted in 1976, have undergone no revision since that time and are obsolete. Local jurisdictions have adopted various ordinances that deal with the keeping of animals that conflict with state rule. In addition, the statutory authority for the protection of groundwater aquifers was transferred to the Department of Environmental Quality in 1987.

The agency docket number:
RD-104-97
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

None published.

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4. Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

Name: Richard Cox, Rules Specialist
Address: Department of Health Services
Food Safety and Environmental Services
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Phoenix, Arizona 85015
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Fax: (602) 230-5817

5. The time during which written submissions may be made and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

The Department will accept written comments until the close of record, which has not yet been determined. The Department has not scheduled any oral proceedings at this time.

6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:

None.