

## NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

1. **Title and its heading:** 2, Administration  
**Chapter and its heading:** 1, Department of Administration  
**Article and its heading:** 8, Reimbursement for Public or Private Transportation  
**Section numbers:** R2-1-801, R2-1-802, R2-1-803, R2-1-804, and R2-1-805
2. **The subject matter of the proposed rules:**  
Currently, bus subsidies are only available for employees commuting to work on buses operated or licensed by an incorporated city or town or a regional public transportation authority. The Department of Administration proposes to amend the rules to redefine who is eligible for a bus subsidy and to whom the subsidy will be paid. The amended rules allow for a subsidy to be paid on behalf of an eligible employee who commutes in a private, commercially-owned bus.
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**  
None published.
4. **The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**  
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5. **The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**  
Both written and oral comments will be accepted during business hours until further notice is provided. Notice of an oral proceeding will be provided in a later edition of the *Register*.
6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding:**  
None.

### NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1. **Title and its heading:** 3, Agriculture  
**Chapter and its heading:** 2, Department of Agriculture - Animal Services Division  
**Article and its heading:** 2, Meat and Poultry Inspection  
**Section numbers:** R3-2-202
2. **The subject matter of the proposed rule:**  
This rulemaking updates the incorporations by reference for meat and poultry inspection and slaughtering procedures.
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**  
None.

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**5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

Written comments will be accepted at the location listed in question #4 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Oral comments will be accepted at the location listed in question #4 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**

Unknown.

**NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING**

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**

- 1. Title and its heading:** 6, Economic Security  
**Chapter and its heading:** 5, Department of Economic Security - Social Services  
**Article and its heading:** 49, Child Care Assistance  
**Section numbers:** R6-5-4901 through R6-5-4922, and other sections to be determined.  
(Sections may be added or deleted as necessary)

**2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:**

These rules govern eligibility for child care assistance and clarify the requirements of the child care program described in A.R.S. §§ 46-801 through 46-810. This Article governs child care assistance for the following categories of individuals: persons attempting to become self-sufficient and end receipt of cash assistance; low-income persons who need child care assistance to maintain employment and avoid receipt of cash assistance; teen parents who need child care assistance to attain a high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate; persons who cannot care for their own children due to a physical, mental, or emotional disability; residents of homeless or domestic violence shelters; and persons who are referred for child care through Child Protective Services.

The rules in this Article describe eligibility categories; how to access child care assistance; eligibility criteria for each category of eligible persons; the amount of assistance the Department can provide for an eligibility activity or need; provisions for calculation of income and income eligibility requirements; allowable child care providers for DES child care assistance; appeals for adverse actions; and all other child care assistance program requirements.

The Department previously filed these rules as exempt rules. On January 23, 1998, the Department instituted the formal rulemaking process, as required by Laws 1997, Chapter 300, § 74(B).

**3. A citation to all published notices related to the proceeding:**

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 4 A.A.R. 287, January 23, 1998.  
Notice of Exempt Rulemaking: 3 A.A.R. 2246, August 22, 1997.

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

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**5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

A person may submit written comments from the present until close of record, which has not yet been scheduled, to the person named in question #4. The Department has not yet scheduled oral proceedings, but will do so at the time of filing the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

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

The Department expects to file a proposed rulemaking package by August 2000. No oral proceedings are scheduled at this time.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**

- 1. Title and its heading:** 6, Economic Security  
**Chapter and its heading:** 10, Department of Economic Security - The JOBS Program  
**Article and its heading:** 1, JOBS: General Provisions  
3, Grievance Procedures (*Articles may be added and deleted as necessary*)  
**Section numbers:** R6-10-101 through R6-10-125; R6-10-301 through R6-10-304; and other sections to be determined. (*Sections may be added or deleted as necessary*)

**2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:**

These rules describe the work participation requirements contained in Laws 1997, Chapter 300 (1997 SB 1357), as codified in A.R.S. §§ 46-299, 46-300, and 46-300.1. They describe activities that satisfy federal work participation requirements associated with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Title I of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996, and the circumstances under which an individual may be temporarily deferred from participating in work activities.

In addition, these rules explain the penalties for not meeting the work requirements, and circumstances which constitute good cause for such failure.

These rules also provide a description of the JOBS subsidized employment activity, its operation, eligibility requirements for participants and employers, and grievance procedures for displaced employees.

The Department previously filed these rules as exempt rules. On October 24, 1997, the Department instituted the formal rulemaking process, as required by Laws 1997, Chapter 300, § 74(B).

**3. A citation to all published notices related to the proceeding:**

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 3 A.A.R. 2976, October 24, 1997.  
Notice of Exempt Rulemaking: 3 A.A.R. 2261, August 22, 1997.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**

1. **Title and its heading:** 6, Economic Security  
**Chapter and its heading:** 12, Department of Economic Security -Cash Assistance Program  
**Articles and their headings:** 1, General Provisions  
2, Application Process and Procedures  
3, Non-Financial Eligibility Criteria  
4, Financial Eligibility; Resources  
5, Financial Eligibility; Income  
6, Special CA Circumstances  
7, Determining Eligibility and Benefit Payment Amount  
8, Payments  
9, Changes; Adverse Action  
10, Appeals  
11, Overpayments  
12, Intentional Program Violation  
13, Jobstart (*Articles may be added or deleted as necessary*)

**Section numbers:**

R6-12-101 through R6-12-105, R6-12-201, R6-12-203, R6-12-204, R6-12-206, R6-12-207, R6-12-209, R6-12-210, R6-12-302, R6-12-304, R6-12-305 through R6-12-320, R6-12-402, R6-12-404, R6-12-502 through R6-12-505, R6-12-507, R6-12-601, R6-12-603 through R6-12-605, R6-12-608 through R6-12-617, R6-12-701 through R6-12-706, R6-12-801 through R6-12-808, R6-12-901, R6-12-902, R6-12-905, R6-12-1002, R6-12-1003, R6-12-1005, R6-12-1006, R6-12-1008, R6-12-1101, R6-12-1102, R6-12-1202, R6-12-1306, and other sections to be determined. Sections may be added or deleted as necessary.

2. **The subject matter of the proposed rule:**

The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) created a new welfare block grant program entitled Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF). The policies contained in the TANF program replace the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) cash assistance program.

In the 1997 Arizona legislative session, SB1357 (Laws 1997, Chapter 300) was enacted, which comprehensively changed the state's welfare laws to conform to the changes in federal law effected by PRWORA. The AFDC program was eliminated and a new cash assistance program entitled Temporary Assistance to Needy Families was adopted. The changes in the rules implement the changes in SB1357 and cover such matters as the program name (which was changed to Cash Assistance program), program eligibility requirements (including a heavy emphasis on the individual's responsibility to work toward self-sufficiency), and sanctions for failure to comply with program requirements.

3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

Notice of Exempt Rulemaking: 3 AAR 2281, August 22, 1997.

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 3 AAR 3118, November 7, 1997.

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**6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**

Not yet known.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**

- 1. Title and its heading:** 6, Economic Security  
**Chapter and its heading:** 13, Department of Economic Security - State Assistance Programs  
**Articles and their headings:** 1, General Provisions  
2, Application and Continued Eligibility  
3, Methods of Eligibility Determination and Budget Procedures  
6, Supplemental Payments Program  
7, General Assistance  
8, Short-Term Crisis Services  
9, Tuberculosis Control  
12, Other Procedures and Services (*Articles may be added or deleted as necessary*)

**Section numbers:**

R6-13-201 through R6-13-203, R6-13-205 through R6-13-207, R6-13-209, R6-13-211, R6-13-212, R6-13-214 through R6-13-216, R6-13-301 through R6-13-307, R6-13-309 through R6-13-311, R6-13-313 through R6-13-316, R6-13-318 through R6-13-322, R6-13-602, R6-13-604, R6-13-701, R6-13-801 through R6-13-809, R6-13-902, R6-13-903, R6-13-905, R6-13-907 through R6-13-922, R6-13-1201 through R6-13-1204, R6-13-1206 through R6-13-1213, and other sections to be determined. New sections will be added to Articles 1 and 7. (*Sections may be added or deleted as necessary*)

**2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:**

Chapter 13 - State Assistance Programs contains rules pertaining to 4 programs administered by the Department: the Supplemental Payments program (Article 6), the General Assistance program (Article 7), the Tuberculosis Control program (Article 9), and the Short-Term Crisis Services program (Article 8), as well as rules about applications to these programs, eligibility determination, and budget procedures. The General Assistance and Tuberculosis Control programs provide assistance to individuals and families in financial need due to decreased self-sufficiency resulting from illness or disability. The Short-Term Crisis Services program provides a variety of assistance to individuals and families in emergency situations. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients may receive assistance in meeting their domestic needs, such as homemaking services, through the Supplemental Payments program.

The Department, in compliance with R1-6-108, completed a 5-year-review report on the rules in Chapter 13 - State Assistance Programs, as required by A.R.S. § 41-1056. The Department identified the need to revise and update these rules in order to comply with changes initiated by the Arizona legislature and any applicable Federal statutes enacted since the rules were last amended.

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