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## GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER 2015-04

#### Renewing and Amending the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women (Amending and Superseding Executive Order 2011-09)

[M15-100]

**WHEREAS**, violence against women affects Arizonans of all races, ethnicities, religious and socioeconomic classifications;

**WHEREAS**, nationally one in three women have been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in their lifetime;

**WHEREAS**, in 2014, Arizona had 115 known deaths related to domestic violence;

**WHEREAS**, in Arizona one or more children witness a domestic violence incident every 44 minutes;

**WHEREAS**, witnessing violence between one's parents or caretakers is the strongest risk factor for transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next, increasing the chance of perpetuating the cycle of violence in adult relationships; and

**WHEREAS**, protecting Arizona's individual communities starts with ensuring that women and families are free from violence.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State hereby continue the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women (the "Commission") and order as follows:

1. The Governor shall appoint all members. Membership shall include, but is not limited to, one representative from each of the following:
  - a. Arizona Attorney General's Office
  - b. Arizona Department of Health Services
  - c. Arizona Department of Child Safety
  - d. Arizona Department of Economic Security
  - e. Administrative Office of the Courts
  - f. Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence
  - g. A non-profit organization that is involved in programs or services related to sexual and/or domestic violence
  - h. The Arizona Judiciary
  - i. A prosecutorial agency other than the Arizona Attorney General's Office
  - j. A law enforcement agency
  - k. One or more public members
2. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Governor.
3. The Governor shall appoint a chairperson who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
4. The chairperson may form an executive committee or other committee(s) as necessary.
5. The Commission shall:
  - a. Work with entities throughout the State to increase awareness, prevention and services to improve the response to sexual and domestic violence;
  - b. Work collaboratively with jurisdictions throughout the State to ensure a victim centered coordinated community response to sexual and domestic violence;
  - c. Provide a forum for addressing input from the community and respond to new information on violence against women;



- d. Oversee the implementation of the Sexual and Domestic Violence State Plan, and revise this plan as needed; and
  - e. Assist with the development of the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Implementation Plan and work to ensure compliance with the statutory eligibility requirements of the Violence Against Women Act.
6. The status of the Commission shall be reviewed no later than December 31, 2018 to determine appropriate action for its continuance, modification or elimination.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this sixth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Michele Reagan**  
**Secretary of State**

### **EXECUTIVE ORDER 2015-01**

#### **Internal Review of Administrative Rules; Moratorium to Promote Job Creation and Customer-Service-Oriented Agencies**

*Editor's Note: This Executive Order is being reproduced in each issue of the Administrative Register until its expiration on December 31, 2015, as a notice to the public regarding state agencies' rulemaking activities.*

[M15-02]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona has lost more jobs per capita than any other state and has yet to recover all of those jobs;

**WHEREAS**, burdensome regulations inhibit job growth and economic development;

**WHEREAS**, each agency of the State of Arizona should promote customer-service-oriented principles for the people that it serves;

**WHEREAS**, each State agency should undertake a critical and comprehensive review of its administrative rules and take action to reduce the regulatory burden, administrative delay, and legal uncertainty associated with government regulation;

**WHEREAS**, overly burdensome, antiquated, contradictory, redundant, and nonessential regulations should be repealed;

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 4 of the Arizona Constitution and Title 41, Chapter 1, Article 1 of the Arizona Revised Statutes vests the executive power of the State of Arizona in the Governor;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona hereby declare the following:

1. A State agency, subject to this Order, shall not conduct any rulemaking except as permitted by this Order.
2. A State agency, subject to this Order, shall not conduct any rulemaking, whether informal or formal, without the prior written approval of the Office of the Governor. In seeking approval, a State agency shall address one or more of the following as justification for the rulemaking:
  - a. To fulfill an objective related to job creation, economic development, or economic expansion in this State.
  - b. To reduce or ameliorate a regulatory burden while achieving the same regulatory objective.
  - c. To prevent a significant threat to the public health, peace or safety.
  - d. To avoid violating a court order or federal law that would result in sanctions by a court or the federal government against an agency for failure to conduct the rulemaking action.
  - e. To comply with a federal statutory or regulatory requirement if such compliance is related to a condition for the receipt of federal funds or participation in any federal program.
  - f. To fulfill an obligation related to fees or any other action necessary to implement the State budget that is certified by the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting.
  - g. To promulgate a rule or other item that is exempt from Title 41, Chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, pursuant to section 41-1005, Arizona Revised Statutes.



- h. To address matters pertaining to the control, mitigation or eradication of waste, fraud, or abuse within an agency or wasteful, fraudulent, or abusive activities perpetrated against an agency.
- 3. Paragraphs 1 and 2 apply to all State agencies, except for: (a) any State agency that is headed by a single elected State official, (b) the Corporation Commission, or (c) any State agency whose agency head is not appointed by the Governor. Those State agencies to which Paragraphs 1 and 2 do not apply are strongly encouraged to voluntarily comply with this Order in the context of their own rulemaking processes.
- 4. Pursuant to Article 5, Section 4 of the Arizona Constitution and Arizona Revised Statutes Section 41-101(A)(1), the State agencies identified in Paragraph 3 must provide the Office of the Governor with a written report for each proposed rule 30 days prior to engaging in any rulemaking proceeding and must also provide the Office of the Governor with a written report within 15 days of any rulemaking. The reports required by this Paragraph shall explain, in detail, how the rulemaking advances the priorities and principles set forth in this Order.
- 5. No later than September 1, 2015, each State agency shall provide to the Office of the Governor an evaluation of their rules, with recommendations for which rules could be amended or repealed consistent with the priorities and principles set forth in this Order. The evaluation shall also include a summary of licensing time frames and describe how those time frames compare to real processing time, and whether or not they can be reduced. Additionally, each agency shall identify any existing licenses or permits in which a general permit could be used in lieu of an individual permit, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 41-1037.
- 6. No later than July 1, 2015, each State agency shall provide to the Office of the Governor an update on divisions where electronic reporting and payment are not implemented and a suggested plan for how to implement this customer-service-oriented service.
- 7. This Order does not confer any legal rights upon any persons and shall not be used as a basis for legal challenges to rules, approvals, permits, licenses or other actions or to any inaction of a State agency. For the purposes of this Order, “person,” “rule” and “rulemaking” have the same meanings prescribed in Arizona Revised Statutes Section 41-1001.
- 8. This Executive Order expires on December 31, 2015.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Michele Reagan**  
**Secretary of State**