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Participate in Rulemaking

Review Published Notices

Those interested in participating in the rulemaking process should review notices published in the *Arizona Administrative Register*.

The Preamble at the beginning of a notice contains information about the rulemaking and provides agency justification and regulatory intent. Agency contact information is published in the Preamble for those interested in participating in the rulemaking process.

The Preamble includes reference to the specific statutes authorizing the agency to make the rule, an explanation of the rule, reasons for proposing the rule, and the preliminary Economic Impact Statement.

Agency Contact Lists

Many agencies maintain stakeholder lists to contact those interested in proposed changes to rules. Check an agency's website and its newsletters for information about notices, oral proceedings, and meetings. Feel like a change should be made to a rule and an agency has not proposed changes? You can petition an agency to make, amend, or repeal a rule. The agency must respond to the petition. Refer to A.R.S. § 41-1033 for more information.

Attend a Public Meeting

Stakeholders can attend a public meeting, known as an oral proceeding, being conducted by the agency on a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. A proceeding may be listed in the Preamble of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or an agency may inform the public of the meeting in a Notice of Oral Proceeding. Attend the meeting and be prepared to speak and comment.

An agency may not have a public meeting scheduled on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. If not, you may request the agency schedule a proceeding. This request must be put in writing within 30 days after the published Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

Refer to information in the Preamble.

Write the Agency

Put your comments in writing and send them to the agency. In order for the agency to consider your comments, the agency must receive them by the close of record. The comment must be received within the 30-day comment timeframe following the *Register* publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

You can also submit to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council written comments that are relevant to the Council's power to review a given rule (A.R.S. § 41-1052).

The Council reviews the rule at the end of the rulemaking process, before the rules are filed with the Secretary of State.

THE REGULAR RULEMAKING PROCESS

Authority

An agency is given the authority to promulgate a rule under the APA, statute passed by the Legislature, or ballot proposition, which is passed by the voters.

An agency may be given certain exemptions to the APA or portions thereof.

Information about the exemptions are provided in the Preamble of the rulemaking.

Permission to Proceed

Before moving forward with any notice, an agency first receives permission from the governor's office to proceed with a rulemaking.

The governor's office provides the agency a written response to proceed that is filed with the notice.

Stakeholder and Public Notification

The agency opens a docket. It is filed as a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening for publication in the *Register*.

The notice includes agency contact information along with its intentions to make, amend, repeal, or renumber, a rule and its justification to perform the rulemaking action. Often an agency will file the docket with the proposed rulemaking.

An agency may decide not to proceed and not file final rule with G.R.R.C. within one year after proposed rule is published. A.R.S. § 41-1021(A)(4)

Agency Proposes Rules, Public Reviews Proposal

The agency files a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and the notice is published in the *Register*.

The public is given the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules. The agency opens the comment period to last at least 30 days. Written comments are accepted informally.

The notice *may* contain information about oral proceedings.

A proceeding is held no sooner than 30 days after the notice is published.

If no proceeding is scheduled, the agency provides information on how a person may request to speak to the agency in person at an oral proceeding.

Oral Proceeding

A person requests an agency to conduct an oral proceeding based on the information provided in its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The agency prepares a Notice of Oral Proceeding on Proposed Rulemaking, schedules one or more proceeding, and files the notice for publication in the *Register*.

When it occurs, an agency extends the public comment period.

Close of Record

After evaluating public comments and conducting an internal review of the rule, an agency:

1. Determines whether the rulemaking requires a substantial change. When an agency decides to make substantial changes to a proposed rule, it continues the process as outlined under the APA. The agency obtains permission to proceed as stated under #2 of this timeline. The agency prepares a Notice of Supplemental Proposed Rulemaking with the changes and files it for publication in the *Register*. Comments are once again solicited and reviewed by the agency.
2. Prepares and submits for review a Notice of Final Rulemaking for review and approval by G.R.R.C. or Attorney General. The Notice of Final Rulemaking must be submitted for review within 120 days after the close of record; or
3. Terminates the rulemaking. The agency may decide to terminate its docket and files a notice for publication in the *Register* notifying stakeholders of the termination. Refer to A.R.S. § 41-1021(A)(2).

Time Frame for Approval or Disapproval of the Notice

G.R.R.C. has 90 days to review and approve or return the rule package, in whole or in part; A.G. has 60 days.

The Approved Rule is Published in *Register* and Codified in the Code

After approval by G.R.R.C. or A.G., the rule becomes effective 60 days after filing the notice with the Office of the Secretary of State, unless otherwise indicated in the Preamble of the notice.

The Notice of Final Rulemaking is published in the *Register* and codified in the *Arizona Administrative Code*.

Definitions and Acronyms

Arizona Administrative Code, Code (A.A.C.): Official rules codified and published by the Secretary of State's Office. Available online at www.azsos.gov.

Arizona Administrative Register, Register (A.A.R.): The official publication that includes filed documents pertaining to Arizona rulemaking. Available online at www.azsos.gov.

Administrative Procedure Act (APA): A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Articles 1 through 10. Available online at www.azleg.gov.

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.): The statutes are made by the Arizona State Legislature during a legislative session. They are compiled by Legislative Council, with the official publication codified by Thomson Reuters. Citations to statutes include Titles which represent broad subject areas. The Title number is followed by the Section number. For example, A.R.S. § 41-1001 is the definitions Section of Title 41 of the Arizona Administrative Procedures Act. The “§” symbol simply means “section.” Available online at www.azleg.gov.

Chapter: A division in the codification of the *Code* designating a state agency or, for a large agency, a major program.

Close of Record: The close of the public record for a proposed rulemaking is the date an agency chooses as the last date it will accept public comments, either written or oral.

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): The *Code of Federal Regulations* is a codification of the general and permanent rules published in the *Federal Register* by the executive departments and agencies of the federal government.

Docket: A public file for each rulemaking containing materials related to the proceedings of that rulemaking. The docket file is established and maintained by an agency from the time it begins to consider making a rule until the rulemaking is finished. The agency provides public notice of the docket by filing a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening with the Office for publication in the *Register*.

Economic, Small Business, and Consumer Impact Statement (EIS): The EIS identifies the impact of the rule on private and public employment, on small businesses, and on consumers. It includes an analysis of the probable costs and benefits of the rule. An agency includes a brief summary of the EIS in its preamble. The EIS is not published in the *Register* but is available from the agency promulgating the rule. The EIS is also filed with the rulemaking package.

Governor's Regulatory Review (G.R.R.C.): Reviews and approves rules to ensure that they are necessary and to avoid unnecessary duplication and adverse impact on the public. G.R.R.C. also assesses whether the rules are clear, concise, understandable, legal, consistent with legislative intent, and whether the benefits of a rule outweigh the cost.

Incorporated by Reference: An agency may incorporate by reference standards or other publications. These standards are available from the state agency with references on where to order the standard or review it online.

Federal Register (FR): The *Federal Register* is a legal newspaper published every business day by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). It contains federal agency regulations; proposed rules and notices; and executive orders, proclamations, and other presidential documents.

Session Laws or “Laws”: When an agency references a law that has not yet been codified into the Arizona Revised Statutes, use the word “Laws” is followed by the year the law was passed by the Legislature, followed by the Chapter number using the abbreviation “Ch.,” and the specific Section number using the Section symbol (§). For example, Laws 1995, Ch. 6, § 2. Session laws are available at www.azleg.gov.

United States Code (U.S.C.): The Code is a consolidation and codification by subject matter of the general and permanent laws of the United States. The Code does not include regulations issued by executive branch agencies, decisions of the federal courts, treaties, or laws enacted by state or local governments.

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An agency shall submit a Notice of Final Rulemaking to the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council (Council) or Attorney General for review within 120 days after the close of the record on a proposed rulemaking, and if applicable, supplemental proposed rulemaking, under [A.R.S. § 41-1024](#).

The Notice of Final Rulemaking as published in this section has been filed with a certificate of approval from the Council or Attorney General.

An economic, small business and consumer impact statement is filed with this notice but not published in the *Register*.

The effective date of this notice is published in item #4 of the preamble.

Questions about the notice can be answered by the person listed in item #6 of the preamble.

The codified version of Notices of Final Rulemaking are published in the *Arizona Administrative Code* by title and chapter.

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**TITLE 14. PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS; CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS;
SECURITIES REGULATION**

**CHAPTER 2. CORPORATION COMMISSION
FIXED UTILITIES**

File Number: R26-83

PREAMBLE

- 1. Permission to proceed with this final rulemaking was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**
According to A.R.S. § 41-1039(E)(2)(b), the rules proposed by the Corporation Commission are expressly exempt from the provisions of A.R.S. § 41-1039.

2. Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable)	Rulemaking Action
Article 25	Repeal
R14-2-2501	Repeal
R14-2-2502	Repeal
R14-2-2503	Repeal
R14-2-2504	Repeal
Table 1	Repeal
Table 2	Repeal
Table 3	Repeal
Table 4	Repeal
R14-2-2505	Repeal
R14-2-2506	Repeal
R14-2-2507	Repeal
R14-2-2508	Repeal
R14-2-2509	Repeal
R14-2-2510	Repeal
R14-2-2511	Repeal
R14-2-2512	Repeal
R14-2-2513	Repeal
R14-2-2514	Repeal
R14-2-2515	Repeal
R14-2-2516	Repeal
R14-2-2517	Repeal
R14-2-2518	Repeal
R14-2-2519	Repeal
R14-2-2520	Repeal

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- 3. Citations to the agency’s statutory rulemaking authority to include the authorizing statute (general) and the implementing statute (specific):**
Authorizing constitutional provisions and statutes: Arizona Constitution Article XV, §§ 3, 13; A.R.S. §§ 40-202, 40-203, 40-204, 40-321, 40-322(A), 40-336, and 40-361.
Implementing constitutional provisions and statutes: Arizona Constitution Article XV, §§ 3, 13; A.R.S. §§ 40-202, 40-203, 40-204, 40-321, 40-322(A), 40-336, and 40-361.
- 4. The effective date of the rule:**
July 28, 2026
- a. If the agency selected a date earlier than the 60-day effective date as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1032(A), include the earlier date and state the reason the agency selected the earlier effective date as provided in A.R.S. § 41-1032(A)(1) through (5):**
Not applicable
- b. If the agency selected a date later than the 60-day effective date as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1032(A), include the later date and state the reason the agency selected the later effective date as provided in A.R.S. § 41-1032(B):**
Not applicable
- 5. Citations to all related notices published in the *Register* as specified in R1-1-409(A) that pertain to the current record of the final rule:**
Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 31 A.A.R. 2554; Issue Date: July 25, 2025; Issue Number: 30; File Number: R25-168
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 31 A.A.R. 2434; Issue Date: July 25, 2025; Issue Number: 30; File Number: R25-164
- 6. The agency’s contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:**
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- 7. An agency’s justification and reason why a rule should be made, amended, repealed or renumbered, to include an explanation about the rulemaking:**
The purpose of the proposed rulemaking is to repeal Article 25 of Title 14, Chapter 2, the Gas Utility Energy Efficiency Rules, as the energy efficiency standard set by these rules expired on December 31, 2020. A repeal of the rules does not require Gas EE to cease. Affected utilities are always able to submit applications for cost effective programs.
The proposed rule changes conform with the Commission’s Rules Review Procedure (“RRP”) as adopted by the Commission in Decision No. 78544 (April 28, 2022), as amended by Decision No. 80698 (April 29, 2025). The approach taken for the proposed repeal of the rules is expected to be the least intrusive and least costly method of achieving the

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purpose of the proposed rule amendments. The costs associated with repealing the rules are expected to be minimal, thus the benefits will outweigh the costs. The proposed repeal is not illegal, inconsistent with legislative intent, or beyond the Commission's legal authority.

- 8. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and either relied on or did not rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:**

None

- 9. A showing of good cause why the rulemaking is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rulemaking will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:**

Not applicable

- 10. A summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:**

Decision No. 78544 (April 28, 2022), as amended by Decision No. 80698 (April 29, 2025), requires that the following information be provided concerning this proposed rulemaking:

- i. The conduct and its frequency of occurrence that the rule is designed to change: The repeal of the Gas EE Rules is designed to eliminate the current requirements for each Class A gas utility ("affected utility") by 2020 to achieve cumulative annual energy savings equivalent to at least 6% of the affected utility's retail gas energy sales through cost effective energy efficiency programs and for affected utilities to file annual implementation plans for Commission approval, detailing how affected utilities intend to comply with the Gas EE Rules during the following two year period, as well as annual reports.
- ii. The harm resulting from the conduct the rule is designed to change and the likelihood it will continue to occur if the rule is not changed: The repeal of the Gas EE Rules is intended to eliminate the requirements described in item 9(i). Elimination of the Gas EE Rules will not prohibit affected utilities from administering energy efficiency programs. Affected utilities may elect to continue administering energy efficiency programs without a rule requirement. Without the repeal of the Gas EE Rules, the requirements will remain in place and will continue to set a standard to be achieved by the now-past date of 2020.
- iii. The estimated change in frequency of the targeted conduct expected from the rule change: The repeal of the Gas EE Rules is expected to eliminate the conduct, which will no longer be required.
- iv. An Economic, Small Business, and Consumer Impact Statement was prepared by an independent economist at the direction of Commission Staff. The statement includes an identification of the proposed rulemaking. Specifically, this rulemaking will repeal A.A.C. Title 14, Chapter 2, Article 25, the Arizona Corporation Commission's rules for Gas Utility Energy Efficiency Standards. The information provided in the statement explains the affected classes of persons who will be affected by the rules, i.e. affected retail gas utilities that would design, implement, and administer gas energy efficiency programs to meet the standards; affected retail gas utility customers who would receive energy efficiency measures; and retail gas utility customers who would pay for the cost of the energy efficiency programs.

The statement notes that affected retail gas utilities would save the time and costs of designing, implementing, and administering the energy efficiency programs including reporting requirements each year, retail gas utility customers who implement energy efficiency measures would no longer receive the reductions in therm consumption and related bill savings resulting from implementing new measures but would continue to see the benefit of any previously implemented energy efficiency measures, and retail gas utility customers who would pay for the cost of the energy efficiency programs would have lower utility bills due to no longer having to pay for the cost of the energy efficiency programs through the utility surcharge created to recover such costs.

The statement also provides the probable costs and benefits to: the agency, political subdivisions, directly affected businesses, and private persons and consumers. Additionally, the statement includes probable impacts to private employment and small businesses. Lastly, the statement explains that there is no probable impact on state revenues from the proposed rulemaking. The statement further explains that the proposed rules are the least costly and least intrusive method for removing the Gas EE Rules.

- 11. A description of any changes between the proposed rulemaking, to include supplemental notices, and the final rulemaking:**

Not applicable

- 12. An agency's summary of the public or stakeholder comments made about the rulemaking and the agency response to the comments:**

UNS Gas filed comments on the NPRM during the formal comment period. Those were the only comments received

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during the formal comment period. The following table summarizes UNS Gas's comments, summarizes Staff's Response to the comments, and provides the Commission's response to the comments:

UNS Gas Comment	Staff Response	Commission Response
UNS Gas is committed to providing effective EE programs guided by local conditions and customer need. EE programs help customers lower energy usage, enhance affordability, and help reduce peak demand on the system. Energy efficient homes also maintain more stable indoor temperatures during outages, minimizing health risks.	UNS Gas's DSM bank balance is under-collected, limiting funding for approved DSM programs to its residential customer class, and UNS Gas's April 2025 annual progress report showed no costs associated with administering DSM programs for its non-residential customer class.	The Commission agrees that cost-effective EE programs provide benefits to customers and the system. The repeal of the Gas EE Rules will not alter an affected utility's ability to propose cost-effective EE programs or the Commission's ability to approve them. No change is needed as a result of this comment.
Because of this rulemaking, UNS Gas proposed a different approach for EE programs in its current rate case, the Customer Energy Management ("CEM") initiatives and a new surcharge and looks forward to meeting its customers' needs with a refreshed set of gas CEM initiatives targeted to low-income customers, schools, and non-profits. UNS Gas proposes that updates be based on actual performance in previous years, including participation, energy savings, and costs.	The proposed CEM initiatives and surcharge will be addressed by the Commission in Docket No. G-04204A-24-0237, the docket for UNS Gas's currently pending rate case.	UNS Gas's proposal for its Gas EE programs going forward will be addressed by the Commission in UNS Gas's currently pending rate case, in which the proposal was made. No change is needed as a result of this comment.
UNS Gas will require an updated cost recovery mechanism that includes recovery of under-collected investments in current approved Gas EE programs.	The proposed CEM initiatives and surcharge will be addressed by the Commission in Docket No. G-04204A-24-0237, the docket for UNS Gas's currently pending rate case.	UNS Gas's proposal for its Gas EE programs and for recovery of related costs will be addressed by the Commission in UNS Gas's currently pending rate case, in which the proposal was made. No change is needed as a result of this comment.
UNS Gas assumes that Commission-approved program funding that was prudently incurred will continue to be recovered after the rules are repealed.	Staff did not provide a response in its October 3, 2025, memo, but stated during the oral proceeding that Staff believes the repeal of the Gas EE Rules will have no impact on current cost-effective Gas EE programs offered by affected utilities and that Staff will still evaluate the cost-effectiveness of current and proposed Gas EE programs in rate cases or if an affected utility applies for a new or modified Gas EE program.	UNS Gas's proposed recovery of costs for its approved Gas EE programs will be addressed in its current and future rate cases or in any separate proceeding regarding a UNS Gas proposal for approval of, or recovery for, a new or modified Gas EE program. No change is needed as a result of this comment.

13. All agencies shall list other matters prescribed by statute applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules. Additionally, an agency subject to Council review under A.R.S. §§ 41-1052 and 41-1055 shall respond to the following questions:

No other matters exist.

- a. **Whether the rule requires a permit, whether a general permit is used and if not, the reasons why a general permit is not used:**
The rule does not require a permit.
- b. **Whether a federal law is applicable to the subject of the rule, whether the rule is more stringent than federal law and if so, citation to the statutory authority to exceed the requirements of federal law:**
Staff notes that in Decision No. 72042, footnote 8 indicates a December 17, 2008, Staff Memorandum that refers to Section 532 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 that required state regulatory authorities to consider whether or not to adopt standards regarding rate design modifications to promote energy efficiency investments and included a standard for natural gas utilities.
- c. **Whether a person submitted an analysis to the agency that compares the rule's impact of the competitiveness of business in this state to the impact on business in other states:**
No such analysis was submitted.

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14. A list of any incorporated by reference material as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1028 and its location in the rules:
No such material exists.

15. Whether the rule was previously made, amended or repealed as an emergency rule. If so, cite the notice published in the *Register* as specified in R1-1-409(A). Also, the agency shall state where the text was changed between the emergency and the final rulemaking packages:
Not applicable

16. The full text of the rules follows:

**TITLE 14. PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS; CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS;
SECURITIES REGULATION**

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FIXED UTILITIES**

ARTICLE 25. GAS UTILITY ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS REPEALED

Section

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R14-2-2518.	Compliance by Gas Distribution Cooperatives Repealed
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R14-2-2520.	Waiver from the Provisions of this Article Repealed

ARTICLE 25. GAS UTILITY ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS REPEALED

R14-2-2501. Definitions Repealed

In this Article, unless otherwise specified:

- ~~1. "Adjustment mechanism" means a Commission approved provision in an affected utility's rate schedule allowing the affected utility to increase and decrease a certain rate or rates, in an established manner, when increases and decreases in specific costs are incurred by the affected utility.~~
- ~~2. "Affected utility" means a public service corporation that provides gas utility service to retail customers in Arizona.~~
- ~~3. "Baseline" means the level of gas demand, gas consumption, and associated expenses estimated to occur in the absence of a specific DSM program, determined as provided in R14-2-2513.~~
- ~~4. "CHP" means combined heat and power, which is using a primary energy source to simultaneously produce electrical energy and useful process heat.~~
- ~~5. "Commission" means the Arizona Corporation Commission.~~
- ~~6. "Cost effective" means that total incremental benefits from a DSM measure or DSM program exceed total incremental costs over the life of the DSM measure, as determined under R14-2-2512.~~
- ~~7. "Customer" means the person or entity in whose name service is rendered to a single contiguous field, location, or facility, regardless of the number of meters at the field, location, or facility.~~
- ~~8. "Delivery system" means the infrastructure through which an affected utility transmits and then distributes gas energy to its customers.~~
- ~~9. "DSM" means demand side management, the implementation and maintenance of one or more DSM programs.~~

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10. “DSM measure” means any material, device, technology, educational program, practice, or facility alteration designed to result in increased energy efficiency and includes CHP used to displace space heating, water heating, or another load.
11. “DSM program” means one or more DSM measures provided as part of a single offering to customers.
12. “DSM tariff” means a Commission-approved schedule of rates designed to recover an affected utility’s reasonable and prudent costs of complying with this Article.
13. “Energy efficiency” means the production or delivery of an equivalent level and quality of end-use gas service using less energy, or the conservation of energy by end-use customers.
14. “Energy efficiency standard” means the reduction in retail energy sales, in percentage of therms or therm equivalents, required to be achieved through an affected utility’s approved DSM and RET programs as prescribed in R14-2-2504.
15. “Energy savings” means the reduction in a customer’s energy consumption, expressed in therms or therm equivalents.
16. “Energy service company” means a company that provides a broad range of services related to energy efficiency, including energy audits, the design and implementation of energy efficiency projects, and the installation and maintenance of energy efficiency measures.
17. “Environmental benefits” means avoidance of costs for compliance, or reduction in environmental impacts, for things such as, but not limited to:
 - a. Water use and water contamination;
 - b. Monitoring storage and disposal of solid waste, such as coal ash (bottom and fly);
 - c. Health effects from burning fossil fuels; and
 - d. Emissions from transportation and production of fuels.
18. “Fuel-neutral” means without promoting or otherwise expressing bias regarding a customer’s choice of one fuel over another.
19. “Gas” means either natural gas or propane.
20. “Gas utility” means a public service corporation providing natural gas service or propane service to the public.
21. “Incremental benefits” means amounts saved through avoiding costs for gas purchases, delivery system, and other cost items necessary to provide gas utility service, along with other improvements in societal welfare, such as through avoided environmental impacts, including, but not limited to, water consumption savings, water contamination reduction, air emission reduction, reduction in coal ash, and reduction of nuclear waste.
22. “Incremental costs” means the additional expenses of DSM measures, relative to baseline.
23. “Independent program administrator” means an impartial third party employed to provide objective oversight of DSM and RET programs.
24. “kWh” means kilowatt-hour.
25. “Leveraging” means combining resources to more effectively achieve an energy efficiency goal, or to achieve greater energy efficiency savings, than would be achieved without combining resources.
26. “Low-income customer” means a customer with a below-average level of household income, as defined in an affected utility’s Commission-approved DSM program description.
27. “Market transformation” means strategic efforts to induce lasting structural or behavioral changes in the market that result in increased energy efficiency.
28. “Net benefits” means the incremental benefits resulting from DSM minus the incremental costs of DSM.
29. “Non-market benefits” means improvements in societal welfare that are not bought or sold.
30. “Program costs” means the expenses incurred by an affected utility as a result of developing, marketing, implementing, administering, and evaluating Commission-approved DSM programs.
31. “RET” means a renewable energy resource technology application utilizing an energy resource that is replaced rapidly by a natural, ongoing process and that displaces conventional energy resources otherwise used to provide energy to an affected utility’s Arizona customers.
32. “RET program” means one or more RETs provided as part of a single offering to customers.
33. “Revenue decoupling” means a mechanism that reduces or eliminates the connection between sales volume and the recovery of an affected utility’s Commission-approved cost of service.
34. “Self-direction” means an option made available to qualifying customers of sufficient size, in which the amount of money paid by each qualifying customer toward DSM costs is tracked for the customer and made available for use by the customer for approved DSM investments upon application by the customer.
35. “Societal Test” means a cost-effectiveness test of the net benefits of DSM programs that starts with the Total Resource Cost Test, but includes non-market benefits and costs to society.
36. “Staff” means individuals working for the Commission’s Utilities Division, whether as employees or through contract.
37. “Therm” means a unit of heat energy equal to 100,000 British Thermal Units.
38. “Thermal envelope” means the collection of building surfaces, such as walls, windows, doors, floors, ceilings, and roofs, that separate interior conditioned (heated or cooled) spaces from the exterior environment.
39. “Therm equivalent” means a unit of energy, such as kWh, converted and stated in terms of therms.
40. “Total Resource Cost Test” means a cost-effectiveness test that measures the net benefits of a DSM program as a resource option, including incremental measure costs, incremental affected utility costs, and carrying costs as a component of avoided capacity cost, but excluding incentives paid by affected utilities and non-market benefits to society.

R14-2-2502. Applicability Repealed

This Article applies to each affected utility classified as Class A according to R14-2-103(A)(3)(q).

R14-2-2503. Goals and Objectives Repealed

A: An affected utility shall design each DSM program to be cost-effective.

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- B:** An affected utility shall consider the following when planning and implementing a DSM or RET program:
1. Whether the DSM or RET program will advance market transformation and achieve sustainable savings, reducing the need for future market interventions;
 2. Whether the affected utility can ensure a level of funding adequate to sustain the DSM or RET program and allow the program to achieve its targeted goals; and
 3. If a DSM program, whether the DSM program will achieve cost-effective energy savings.
- C:** An affected utility shall:
1. Offer DSM programs that will provide an opportunity for all affected utility customer segments to participate, and
 2. Allocate a portion of DSM resources specifically to low-income customers.

R14-2-2504. Energy Efficiency Standards Repealed

- A:** Except as provided in R14-2-2518 and R14-2-2519, in order to ensure reliable gas service at reasonable ratepayer rates and costs, by December 31, 2020, an affected utility shall, through DSM and RET programs, achieve cumulative annual energy savings, expressed as therms or therm equivalents, equal to at least 6% of the affected utility's retail gas energy sales for calendar year 2019.
- B:** An affected utility shall, by the end of each calendar year, meet at least the cumulative annual energy efficiency standard listed in Table 1 for that calendar year. An illustrative example of how the required energy savings would be calculated is shown in Table 2. An illustrative example of how the standard can be met in 2020 is shown in Table 4

Table 1. Energy Efficient Standard Repealed

CALENDAR YEAR	ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARD (Cumulative Annual Energy Savings by the End of Each Calendar Year as a Percentage of the Retail Energy Sales in the Prior Calendar Year)
2011	0.50%
2012	1.20%
2013	1.80%
2014	2.40%
2015	3.00%
2016	3.60%
2017	4.20%
2018	4.80%
2019	5.40%
2020	6.00%

Table 2. Illustrative Example of Calculating Required Energy Savings Repealed

CALENDAR YEAR	A RETAIL SALES (therms)	B ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARD	C REQUIRED CUMULATIVE ENERGY SAVINGS (therms or therm equivalents (B of the current year x A of prior year))
2010	100,000,000		0
2011	97,500,000	0.50%	500,000
2012	94,870,000	1.20%	1,170,000
2013	92,411,540	1.80%	1,707,660
2014	90,018,939	2.40%	2,217,877
2015	87,691,512	3.00%	2,700,568
2016	85,427,344	3.60%	3,156,894
2017	83,224,605	4.20%	3,587,948
2018	81,081,521	4.80%	3,994,781
2019	78,996,374	5.40%	4,378,402
2020	76,967,498	6.00%	4,739,782

- C:** An affected utility may count energy savings resulting from DSM and RET programs to meet the energy efficiency standard. At least 75% of the energy efficiency standard for each year listed in Table 1 shall be achieved through DSM energy efficiency programs.
- D:** An affected utility's energy savings resulting from DSM energy efficiency programs implemented before the effective date of this Article, but after 2004, may be credited toward meeting the energy efficiency standard set forth in subsection (B). The total energy savings credit for these pre-rules DSM programs shall not exceed 1% of the affected utility's retail energy sales in calendar year 2005.

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A portion of the total energy savings credit for these pre-rules programs may be applied each year, from 2016 through 2020, as listed in Table 3, Column A.

Table 3. Credit for Pre-rules Energy Savings Repealed

CALENDAR YEAR	A CREDIT FOR THE PRE-RULES ENERGY SAVINGS APPLIED IN EACH YEAR (Percentage of the Total Eligible Pre-Rules Cumulative Annual Energy Savings That Shall Be Applied in the Year)	B CUMULATIVE APPLICATION OF THE CREDIT FOR THE PRE-RULES ENERGY SAVINGS IN 2016-2020 (Percentage of the Total Eligible Pre-Rules Cumulative Annual Energy Savings That Are Credited by the End of Each Year)
2016	7.5%	7.5%
2017	15.0%	22.5%
2018	20.0%	42.5%
2019	25.0%	67.5%
2020	32.5%	100.0%

- E:** An affected utility may count toward meeting the energy efficiency standard up to one-third of the energy savings resulting from energy efficiency building codes and up to one-third of the energy savings resulting from energy efficiency appliance standards, if the energy savings are quantified and reported through a measurement and evaluation study undertaken by the affected utility, and the affected utility demonstrates and documents its efforts in support of the adoption or implementation of the energy efficiency building codes and appliance standards.
- F:** An affected utility may count a customer's energy savings resulting from self-direction toward meeting the energy efficiency standard.
- G:** An affected utility may count toward meeting the energy efficiency standard all energy savings resulting from the affected utility's sponsorship of RET projects that displace gas. An affected utility may also count toward meeting the energy efficiency standard all energy savings resulting from other RET projects that are not sponsored by the affected utility, if the affected utility can demonstrate that its efforts facilitated the placement and completion of the RET project.
- H:** An affected utility's energy savings resulting from efficiency improvements to its delivery system may not be counted toward meeting the energy efficiency standard.
- I:** An affected utility's energy savings used to meet the energy efficiency standard will be assumed to continue through the year 2020 or, if expiring before the year 2020, to be replaced with a DSM measure or RET having at least the same level of efficiency.

Table 4. Illustrative Example of How the Energy Standard Could be Met in 2020 Repealed

	2020 Energy Efficiency Standard	2019 Retail Sales (therms)	Required Cumulative Annual Energy Savings (therms or therm equivalents)
Total	6.00%	78,996,374	4,739,782
Breakdown of Savings and Credits Used to Meet 2020 Standard			
			Cumulative Annual Energy Savings Or Credit (therms)
Pre-rules Savings Credit R14-2-2504(D)			359,545*
Building Codes and Appliance Standards R14-2-2504(E)			425,000
Self-direction R14-2-2504(F)			27,000
RET R14-2-2504(G)			25,000
CHIP R14-2-2501(I) and R14-2-2504(C)			135,000
Energy Efficiency R14-2-2504(C)	At least 75%		3,768,237
Total			4,739,782

*The total pre-rules savings credit shall be capped at 1% of 2005 retail energy sales, and the total credit is allocated over five years from 2016 to 2020. The credit shown above represents an estimate of the portion of the total credit that can be taken in 2020, or 32.5% of the total credit allowed.

R14-2-2505. Implementation Plans Repealed

- A:** Except as provided in R14-2-2518 and R14-2-2519, on June 1 of each odd year, or annually at the election of each affected utility, each affected utility shall file with Docket Control, for Commission review and approval, an implementation plan describing how the affected utility intends to meet the energy efficiency standard for the next one or two calendar years, as applicable, except that the initial implementation plan shall be filed within 30 days of the effective date of this Article.
- B:** The implementation plan shall include the following information:

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1. Except for the initial implementation plan, a description of the affected utility's compliance with the requirements of this Article for the previous calendar year;
 2. Except for the initial implementation plan, which shall describe only the next calendar year, a description of how the affected utility intends to comply with this Article for the next two calendar years, including an explanation of any modification to the rates of an existing DSM adjustment mechanism or tariff that the affected utility believes is necessary;
 3. Except for the initial implementation plan, which shall describe only the next calendar year, a description of each DSM and RET program to be newly implemented or continued in the next two calendar years and an estimate of the annual therm or therm equivalent savings projected to be obtained through each DSM and RET program;
 4. The estimated total cost and cost per therm reduction of each DSM measure and program and each RET and RET program described in subsection (B)(3);
 5. A DSM tariff filing complying with R14-2-2506(A) or a request to modify and reset an adjustment mechanism complying with R14-2-2506(C), as applicable; and
 6. For each new DSM measure and program and each RET and RET program that the affected utility desires to implement, a program proposal complying with R14-22507.
- C.** An affected utility shall notify its customers of its implementation plan filing through a notice in its next regularly scheduled customer bills following the filing of the implementation plan.
- D.** The Commission may hold a hearing to determine whether an affected utility's implementation plan satisfies the requirements of this Article.
- E.** An affected utility's Commission-approved implementation plan, and the DSM and RET programs authorized thereunder, shall continue in effect until the Commission takes action on a new implementation plan for the affected utility.

R14-2-2506. ~~DSM Tariffs Repealed~~

- A.** An affected utility's DSM tariff filing shall include the following:
1. A detailed description of each method proposed by the affected utility to recover the reasonable and prudent costs associated with implementing the affected utility's intended DSM and RET programs;
 2. Financial information and supporting data sufficient to allow the Commission to determine the affected utility's fair value, including, at a minimum, the information required to be submitted in a utility annual report filed under R14-2-312(G)(4);
 3. Data supporting the level of costs that the affected utility believes will be incurred in order to comply with this Article; and
 4. Any other information that the Commission believes is relevant to the Commission's consideration of the tariff filing.
- B.** The Commission shall approve, modify, or deny a tariff filed pursuant to subsection (A) within 180 days after the tariff has been filed. The Commission may suspend this deadline or adopt an alternative procedural schedule for good cause.
- C.** If an affected utility has an existing adjustment mechanism to recover the reasonable and prudent costs associated with implementing DSM and RET programs, the affected utility may, in lieu of making a tariff filing under subsection (A), file a request to modify and reset its adjustment mechanism by submitting the information required under subsections (A)(1) and (3).

R14-2-2507. ~~Commission Review and Approval of DSM and RET Programs Repealed~~

- A.** An affected utility shall obtain Commission approval before implementing a new DSM program or measure or a new RET program or RET.
- B.** An affected utility may apply for Commission approval of a DSM program or measure or an RET program or RET by submitting a program proposal either as part of its implementation plan submitted under R14-2-2505 or through a separate application.
- C.** A program proposal shall include the following:
1. A description of the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET that the affected utility desires to implement;
 2. The affected utility's objectives and rationale for the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 3. A description of the market segment at which the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET is aimed;
 4. An estimated level of customer participation in the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 5. An estimate of the baseline;
 6. For a DSM program or measure:
 - a. The estimated societal benefits and savings from the DSM program or measure;
 - b. The estimated societal costs of the DSM program or measure; and
 - c. The estimated benefit-cost ratio of the DSM program or measure;
 7. The estimated environmental benefits to be derived from the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 8. The affected utility's marketing and delivery strategy;
 9. The affected utility's estimated annual costs and budget for the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 10. The implementation schedule for the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 11. A description of the affected utility's plan for monitoring and evaluating the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET; and
 12. Any other information that the Commission believes is relevant to the Commission's consideration of the filing.
- D.** In determining whether to approve a program proposal, the Commission shall consider:
1. The extent to which the Commission believes the DSM program or measure will meet the goal set forth in R14-2503(A), and
 2. All of the considerations set forth in R14-2-2503(B).
- E.** Staff may request modifications of on-going DSM and RET programs to ensure consistency with this Article. The Commission shall allow affected utilities adequate time to notify customers of DSM and RET program modifications.

R14-2-2508. ~~Parity and Equity Repealed~~

- A.** An affected utility shall develop and propose DSM programs for residential, non-residential, and low-income customers.

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- B.** An affected utility shall allocate DSM funds collected from residential customers and from non-residential customers proportionately to those customer classes to the extent practicable.
- C.** The affected utility costs of DSM and RET programs for low-income customers shall be borne by all customer classes, except where a customer or customer class is specifically exempted by Commission order.
- D.** DSM funds collected by an affected utility shall be used, to the extent practicable, to benefit that affected utility's customers.
- E.** All customer classes of an affected utility shall bear the costs of DSM and RET programs by payment through a non-bypassable mechanism, unless a customer or customer class is specifically exempted by Commission order.

R14-2-2509. Reporting Requirements Repealed

- A.** By April 1 of each year, an affected utility shall submit to the Commission, in a Commission-established docket for that year, a DSM progress report providing information for each of the affected utility's Commission-approved DSM and RET programs including at least the following:
 - 1. An analysis of the affected utility's progress toward meeting the annual energy efficiency standard;
 - 2. A list of the affected utility's current Commission-approved DSM and RET programs, organized by customer segment;
 - 3. A description of the findings from any research projects completed during the previous year; and
 - 4. The following information for each Commission-approved DSM program and measure and RET program and RET:
 - a. A brief description;
 - b. Goals, objectives, and savings targets;
 - c. The level of customer participation during the previous year;
 - d. The costs incurred during the previous year, disaggregated by type of cost, such as administrative costs, rebates, and monitoring costs;
 - e. A description and the results of evaluation and monitoring activities during the previous year;
 - f. Savings realized in kW, kWh, therms, and therm equivalents, as appropriate;
 - g. The environmental benefits realized;
 - h. Incremental benefits and net benefits, in dollars;
 - i. Performance-incentive calculations for the previous year;
 - j. Problems encountered during the previous year and proposed solutions;
 - k. A description of any modifications proposed for the following year; and
 - l. Whether the affected utility proposes to terminate the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET and the proposed date of termination.
- B.** By October 1 of each year, an affected utility shall file a status report including a tabular summary showing the following for each current Commission-approved DSM program and measure and RET program and RET of the affected utility:
 - 1. Semi-annual expenditures compared to annual budget, and
 - 2. Participation rates.
- C.** An affected utility shall file each report required by this Section with Docket Control, where it will be available to the public, and shall make each such report available to the public upon request.
- D.** An affected utility may request within its implementation plan that these reporting requirements supersede specific existing DSM reporting requirements.

R14-2-2510. Cost Recovery Repealed

- A.** An affected utility may recover the costs that it incurs in planning, designing, implementing, and evaluating a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET if the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET is all of the following:
 - 1. Approved by the Commission before it is implemented;
 - 2. Implemented in accordance with a Commission-approved program proposal or implementation plan; and
 - 3. Monitored and evaluated, pursuant to R14-2-2515.
- B.** An affected utility shall monitor and evaluate each DSM program or measure and each RET program or RET, as provided in R14-2-2515.
- C.** If an affected utility determines that a DSM program or measure is not cost-effective or that a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET does not meet expectations, the affected utility shall include in its annual DSM progress report filed under R14-2-2509 a proposal to modify or terminate the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET.
- D.** An affected utility shall recover its DSM and RET costs concurrently, on an annual basis, with the spending for DSM and RET programs, unless the Commission orders otherwise.
- E.** An affected utility may recover costs from DSM funds for any of the following items, if the expenditures will enhance DSM or RET programs:
 - 1. Incremental labor attributable to DSM and RET development;
 - 2. A market study;
 - 3. A research and development project such as applied technology assessment;
 - 4. Consortium membership, or
 - 5. Other items that are difficult to allocate to an individual DSM or RET program.
- F.** The Commission may impose a limit on the amount of DSM funds that may be used for the items in subsection (E).
- G.** If goods and services used by an affected utility for DSM or RET have value for other affected utility functions, programs, or services, the affected utility shall divide the costs for the goods and services and allocate funding proportionately.
- H.** An affected utility shall allocate DSM and RET costs in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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- I:** An affected utility, at its own initiative, may submit to the Commission twice-annual reports on the financial impacts of its Commission-approved DSM and RET programs, including any unrecovered fixed costs and net lost income/revenue resulting from its Commission-approved DSM and RET programs.

R14-2-2511. Revenue Decoupling Repealed

The Commission shall review and address financial or other disincentives, recovery of fixed costs, and recovery of net lost income/revenue, including, but not limited to, implementation of a revenue decoupling mechanism, due to Commission-approved DSM and RET programs, if an affected utility requests such review in its rate case and provides adequate documentation/records supporting its request in its rate application.

R14-2-2512. Cost Effectiveness Repealed

- A:** An affected utility shall ensure that the incremental benefits to society of the affected utility's overall group of DSM programs exceed the incremental costs to society of the overall group of DSM programs.
- B:** The Societal Test shall be used to determine cost effectiveness.
- C:** The analysis of a DSM program's or DSM measure's cost effectiveness may include:
1. Costs and benefits associated with reliability, improved system operations, environmental impacts, and customer service;
 2. Savings of both gas and electricity; and
 3. Any uncertainty about future streams of costs or benefits.
- D:** An affected utility shall make a good faith effort to quantify water consumption savings and air emission reductions resulting from implementation of DSM programs, while other environmental costs or the value of environmental improvements shall be estimated in physical terms when practical but may be expressed qualitatively. An affected utility, Staff, or any party may propose monetized benefits and costs if supported by appropriate documentation or analyses.
- E:** Market transformation programs shall be analyzed for cost effectiveness by measuring market effects compared to program costs.
- F:** Educational programs shall be analyzed for cost effectiveness based on estimated energy and peak demand savings resulting from increased awareness about energy use and opportunities for saving energy.
- G:** Research and development and pilot programs are not required to demonstrate cost effectiveness.
- H:** An affected utility's low-income customer program portfolio shall be cost effective, but costs attributable to necessary health and safety measures shall not be used in the calculation.

R14-2-2513. Baseline Estimation Repealed

- A:** To determine the baseline, an affected utility shall estimate the level of gas demand and consumption and the associated costs that would have occurred in the absence of a DSM program.
- B:** For installations or applications that have multiple fuel choices, an affected utility shall determine the baseline using the same fuel source that would have actually been used for the installation or application in the absence of a DSM program.

R14-2-2514. Fuel Neutrality Repealed

- A:** Ratepayer-funded DSM shall be developed and implemented in a fuel-neutral manner.
- B:** An affected utility shall use DSM funds collected from gas customers for gas DSM programs, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.
- C:** An affected utility may use DSM funds collected from gas customers for thermal envelope improvements.

R14-2-2515. Monitoring, Evaluation, and Research Repealed

- A:** An affected utility shall monitor and evaluate each DSM program and measure and each RET program and RET to:
1. Ensure compliance with the cost effectiveness requirements for DSM programs in R14-2-2512;
 2. Determine participation rates, energy savings, and demand reductions;
 3. Assess the implementation process for the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET;
 4. Obtain information on whether to continue, modify, or terminate a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET; and
 5. Determine the persistence and reliability of the affected utility's DSM programs and measures and RET programs and RETs.
- B:** An affected utility may conduct evaluation and research, such as market studies, market research, and other technical research, for DSM and RET program planning, product development, and DSM and RET program improvement.

R14-2-2516. Program Administration and Implementation Repealed

- A:** An affected utility may use an energy service company or other external resource to implement a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET.
- B:** The Commission may, at its discretion, establish independent program administrators who would be subject to the relevant requirements of this Article.

R14-2-2517. Leveraging and Cooperation Repealed

- A:** An affected utility shall, to the extent practicable, participate in cost sharing, leveraging, or other lawful arrangements with customers, vendors, manufacturers, government agencies, other gas utilities, or other entities if doing so will increase the effectiveness of a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET.
- B:** An affected utility shall participate in a DSM program or measure or RET program or RET with an electric utility when doing so is practicable and if doing so will increase the effectiveness of the DSM program or measure or RET program or RET.

R14-2-2518. Compliance by Gas Distribution Cooperatives Repealed

- A:** A gas distribution cooperative that is an affected utility shall comply with the requirements of this Section instead of meeting the requirements of R14-2-2504(A) and (B) and R14-2505(A).

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- B.** A gas distribution cooperative shall, on June 1 of each odd year, or annually at its election:
1. File with Docket Control, for Commission review and approval, an implementation plan providing information for each DSM and RET program to be implemented or maintained during the next one or two calendar years, as applicable; and
 2. Submit to the Director of the Commission's Utilities Division an electronic copy of its implementation plan in a format suitable for posting on the Commission's web site.
- C.** A gas distribution cooperative's initial implementation plan shall be filed with Docket Control within 30 days of the effective date of this Article.
- D.** An implementation plan submitted under subsection (B) or (C) shall set forth an energy efficiency goal for each year of at least 75% of the savings requirement specified in R14-2-2504 and shall include the information required under R14-2505(B).

R14-2-2519. Compliance by Propane Companies Repealed

- A.** A propane company that is an affected utility shall comply with the requirements of this Section instead of meeting the requirements of R14-2-2504(A) and (B) and R14-2-2505(A).
- B.** A propane company shall, on June 1 of each odd year, or annually at its election:
1. File with Docket Control, for Commission review and approval, an implementation plan providing information for each DSM and RET program to be implemented or maintained during the next one or two calendar years, as applicable; and
 2. Submit to the Director of the Commission's Utilities Division an electronic copy of its implementation plan in a format suitable for posting on the Commission's web site.
- C.** A propane company's initial implementation plan shall be filed with Docket Control within 30 days of the effective date of this Article.
- D.** An implementation plan submitted under subsection (B) or (C) shall set forth an energy efficiency goal for each year of at least 50% of the savings requirement specified in R14-2-2504 and shall include the information required under R14-22505(B).

R14-2-2520. Waiver from the Provisions of this Article Repealed

- A.** The Commission may waive compliance with any provision of this Article for good cause.
- B.** An affected utility may petition the Commission to waive its compliance with any provision of this Article for good cause.

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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires an agency file a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening which outlines its rulemaking intentions under [A.R.S. § 41-1021](#).

A docket opening and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking are often filed at the same time and published in the same *Register* issue.

If a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is not published in this *Register* that corresponds with a published docket in this week's issue, it simply means the agency has not filed the notice for consideration and public review.

An agency has one year from the publishing of this notice to propose a rule; after one year the docket expires.

Questions about the notice can be answered by the person listed in item #5 of the preamble.

Refer to item #6 in the preamble for information on how to comment on this notice.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
CHILD CARE FACILITIES**

File Number: R26-84

1. Permission to proceed with this docket was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:

May 8, 2026

2. Title and its heading:

9, Health Services

Chapter and its heading:

5, Department of Health Services - Child Care Facilities

Article and its heading:

- 2, Facility Licensure
- 3, Facility Administration
- 5, Facility Program and Equipment
- 6, Physical Plant of a Facility
- 7, School-age Out-of-School Time Programs

Section number:

R9-5-201, R9-5-208, R9-5-308, R9-5-501, R9-5-502, R9-5-514, R9-5-516, R9-5-603, R9-5-701, R9-5-718, R9-5-720, R9-5-726, R9-5-727, Table 7.2, and R9-5-737

Sections may be added, amended, repealed, or renumbered as necessary.

3. The subject matter of the proposed rule:

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 36-883 requires the Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) to “define and prescribe reasonable rules regarding the health, safety, and well-being of the children to be cared for in a child care facility.” The Department adopted Arizona Administrative Code Title 9, Chapter 5 rules to implement A.R.S. §§ 36-883 through 36-883.04. The rules provide definitions; application requirements for licensure, including fingerprinting; facility administration requirements; facility staff and training requirements; facility program and equipment requirements; and requirements for the physical plant of a facility. The Department plans to amend rules to allow for storage of glucagon doses for emergency administration, pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-344.01. In addition, the Department plans to amend the rules to remove requirements related to a child care facility keeping a roster of school-age children for each room or activity area, pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-894.02. Furthermore, the Department plans to make other amendments to correct grammatical errors, amend language for clarity, and make necessary changes for the proper administration and enforcement of the laws relating to public health and safety. The proposed amendments will conform to the rulemaking format and style requirements of the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council and the Office of the Secretary of State.

4. A citation to all published notices relating to the current proceeding:

Not applicable

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5. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

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Title: Bureau Chief
Division: Division of Public Health Licensing Services
Address: Arizona Department of Health Services
Bureau of Child Care Licensing
150 N. 18th Ave., Suite 150
Phoenix, AZ 85007
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Name: Stacie Gravito
Title: Office Chief, Administrative Counsel and Rules
Division: Director's Office
Address: 150 N. 18th Ave., Suite 540
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Telephone: (602) 542-1020
Fax: (602) 364-1150
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6. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

To be announced in future notices regarding this rulemaking.

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

Unknown.

NOTICES OF PROPOSED DELEGATION AGREEMENT

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NOTICES OF PROPOSED DELEGATION AGREEMENT

Summaries and Location of Documents

Some agencies have been given legislative authority to delegate functions, powers, or duties to political subdivisions in Arizona.

An agency that seeks to delegate functions, powers or duties shall file with the Office a summary of its proposed delegation agreement under [A.R.S. § 41-1081\(B\)](#).

Agencies shall provide a contact person to answer questions or accept comments on the notice. This information is listed under Item #3 of the notice.

The notice shall also state where interested persons may obtain, upon request, a copy of the proposed delegation agreement from the agency.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED DELEGATION AGREEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

File Number: M26-38

1. **Agency initiating the agreement:**

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

2. **The political subdivision to which functions, powers, or duties are proposed to be delegated:**

Greer Fire Department

3. **Contact information:**

Name: Balaji Vaidyanathan
Title: Deputy Assistant Director
Division: Air Quality Department
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Phoenix, AZ 85007
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Email: Vaidyanathan.balaji@azdeq.gov
Website: www.azdeq.gov

4. **Summary of agreement including subjects and issues:**

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) delegates some of its functions and duties when those local authorities and ADEQ have agreed that doing so is in the best interest of the State. According to A.R.S. §§ 49-107 and 49-501(D), the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality proposes to delegate functions and duties with Greer Fire District related to open burn permits, identified by A.R.S. § 49-501 and A.A.C. R18-2-602. Open burn permits are issued to provide permission for the public to set and control fires under certain circumstances.

Functions and duties that are delegated by ADEQ to local authorities must continue to be regulated consistent with ADEQ's regulatory authority. When delegating authority, ADEQ enters into an individual delegation agreement with the local authority. Each individual delegation agreement identifies exactly which functions and duties are delegated.

5. **An electronic copy of this agreement can be viewed at:**

<https://azdeq.gov/delegation-agreements>

6. **A paper copy of this agreement can be obtained at:**

ADEQ Records Center, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007
Copy or other fees: Black and white copies \$.25 per side. Color copies \$.75 per side.

7. **Schedule of public hearings:**

Where there is sufficient public interest, ADEQ will hold a public hearing to receive public comments, in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1081. The time, place, and location of the hearings will be provided in the corresponding Notice of Hearing according to A.A.C. R18-1-401 and R18-1-402.

NOTICES OF PROPOSED DELEGATION AGREEMENT

ADEQ accepts written statements, arguments, data, and views on the proposed delegation agreement that are received within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice in the *Register* by end of day 12:00 p.m., or post-marked no later than that date.

After the conclusion of the public comment period and hearing, if any, the agency shall prepare a written summary responding to the comments received, whether oral or written. The agency shall consider the comments received from the public in determining whether to enter into the proposed delegation agreement. The agency shall give written notice to those persons who submitted comments of the agency's decision on whether to enter into the proposed delegation agreement.

ADEQ will take reasonable measures to provide access to department services to individuals with limited ability to speak, write or understand English and/or to those with disabilities. Requests for language translation, ASL interpretation, CART captioning services or disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting the Title VI Non-discrimination Coordinator at 520-628-6744 or marruffo.joaquin@azdeq.gov. For a TTY or other device, Telecommunications Relay Services are available by calling 711.

ADEQ tomará las medidas razonables para proveer acceso a los servicios del departamento a personas con capacidad limitada para hablar, escribir o entender inglés y/o para personas con discapacidades. Las solicitudes de servicios de traducción de idiomas, interpretación ASL (lengua de signos americano), subtítulo de CART, o adaptaciones por discapacidad deben realizarse con al menos 48 horas de anticipación comunicándose con el Coordinador de Anti-Discriminación del Título VI al 520-628-6744 o marruffo.joaquin@azdeq.gov. Para un TTY u otro dispositivo, los servicios de retransmisión de telecomunicaciones están disponible llamando al 711.

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PM means Proposed amended Section
PR means Proposed repealed Section
P# means Proposed renumbered Section

SUPPLEMENTAL PROPOSED RULEMAKING

SPN means Supplemental proposed new Section
SPM means Supplemental proposed amended Section
SPR means Supplemental proposed repealed Section
SP# means Supplemental proposed renumbered Section

FINAL RULEMAKING

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FM means Final amended Section
FR means Final repealed Section
F# means Final renumbered Section

SUMMARY RULEMAKING

PROPOSED SUMMARY

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PSM# means Proposed Summary renumbered Section

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PROPOSED EXPEDITED

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SUPPLEMENTAL EXPEDITED

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EXEMPT

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X# means Exempt renumbered Section

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April

Date Filed		Effective Date
April 1	effective	May 31
April 2	effective	June 1
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June 1	effective	July 31
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December 30	effective	February 28
December 31	effective	March 1

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REGISTER DEADLINES

The Secretary of State's Office publishes the *Register* weekly. There is a three-week delay between the deadline date to file a notice and the *Register* date in which the notice is published. The weekly deadline dates are listed in the first column and issue dates are provided in the second column. Listed in the third column are the earliest dates on which an oral proceeding can be held on proposed rulemakings or proposed delegation agreements, following publication of the notice in the *Register*. Governor Regulatory Review Council meetings and *Register* deadlines do not correlate.

Deadline Date Friday, 5:00 p.m.	Register Publication Date	Oral Proceeding may be scheduled on or after
March 13, 2026	April 3, 2026	May 4, 2026
March 20, 2026	April 10, 2026	May 11, 2026
March 27, 2026	April 17, 2026	May 18, 2026
April 3, 2026	April 24, 2026	May 26, 2026 Later date due to a holiday
April 10, 2026	May 1, 2026	June 1, 2026
April 17, 2026	May 8, 2026	June 8, 2026
April 24, 2026	May 15, 2026	June 15, 2026
May 1, 2026	May 22, 2026	June 22, 2026
May 8, 2026	May 29, 2026	June 29, 2026
May 15, 2026	June 5, 2026	July 6, 2026
May 22, 2026	June 12, 2026	July 13, 2026
May 29, 2026	June 19, 2026	July 20, 2026
June 5, 2026	June 26, 2026	July 27, 2026
June 12, 2026	July 3, 2026	August 3, 2026
June 19, 2026	July 10, 2026	August 10, 2026
June 26, 2026	July 17, 2026	August 17, 2026
July 3, 2026	July 24, 2026	August 24, 2026
July 10, 2026	July 31, 2026	August 31, 2026
July 17, 2026	August 7, 2026	September 8, 2026 Later date due to a holiday
July 24, 2026	August 14, 2026	September 14, 2026
July 31, 2026	August 21, 2026	September 21, 2026
August 7, 2026	August 28, 2026	September 28, 2026
August 14, 2026	September 4, 2026	October 5, 2026
August 21, 2026	September 11, 2026	October 13, 2026 Later date due to a holiday
August 28, 2026	September 18, 2026	October 19, 2026
September 4, 2026	September 25, 2026	October 26, 2026
September 11, 2026	October 2, 2026	November 2, 2026
September 18, 2026	October 9, 2026	November 9, 2026
September 25, 2026	October 16, 2026	November 16, 2026
October 2, 2026	October 23, 2026	November 23, 2026
October 9, 2026	October 30, 2026	November 30, 2026
October 16, 2026	November 6, 2026	December 7, 2026
October 23, 2026	November 13, 2026	December 14, 2026

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MEETING DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The deadlines provided in the following table apply to all Five-Year Review Reports and any rulemaking notice submitted for review to the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council (Council). The Office publishes these deadlines under A.R.S. § [41-1013\(B\)\(15\)](#).

Council meetings and *Register* deadlines do not correlate.

All rulemaking notices submitted for review and Five-Year Review Reports are due in the Council office by 5 p.m. of the deadline date.

The Council’s office is located at 100 N. 15th Ave., Suite 305, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

For more information, call (602) 542-2058 or visit the Council’s [website](#).

File Number: M25-79

DEADLINE FOR PLACEMENT ON AGENDA Materials must be submitted by 5 p.m. on dates listed in this column as a deadline for placement on a particular agenda. Placement on a particular agenda is not guaranteed.	DEADLINE FOR FINAL MATERIALS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL	DATE OF COUNCIL STUDY SESSION	DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday March 24, 2026	Tuesday April 21, 2026	Tuesday April 28, 2026	Tuesday May 5, 2026
Tuesday April 21, 2026	Tuesday May 19, 2026	Wednesday May 27, 2026	Tuesday June 2, 2026
Tuesday May 19, 2026	Tuesday June 23, 2026	Tuesday June 30, 2026	Tuesday July 7, 2026
Tuesday June 23, 2026	Tuesday July 21, 2026	Tuesday July 28, 2026	Tuesday August 4, 2026
Tuesday July 21, 2026	Tuesday August 18, 2026	Tuesday August 25, 2026	Tuesday September 1, 2026
Tuesday August 18, 2026	Tuesday September 22, 2026	Tuesday September 29, 2026	Tuesday October 6, 2026
Tuesday September 22, 2026	Tuesday October 20, 2026	Tuesday October 27, 2026	Tuesday November 3, 2026
Tuesday October 20, 2026	Tuesday November 17, 2026	Tuesday November 24, 2026	Tuesday December 1, 2026
Tuesday November 17, 2026	Tuesday December 22, 2026	Tuesday December 29, 2026	Tuesday January 5, 2027
Tuesday December 22, 2026	Tuesday January 19, 2027	Tuesday January 26, 2027	Tuesday February 2, 2027