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How to Participate in Rulemaking

Review Published Notices

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

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.

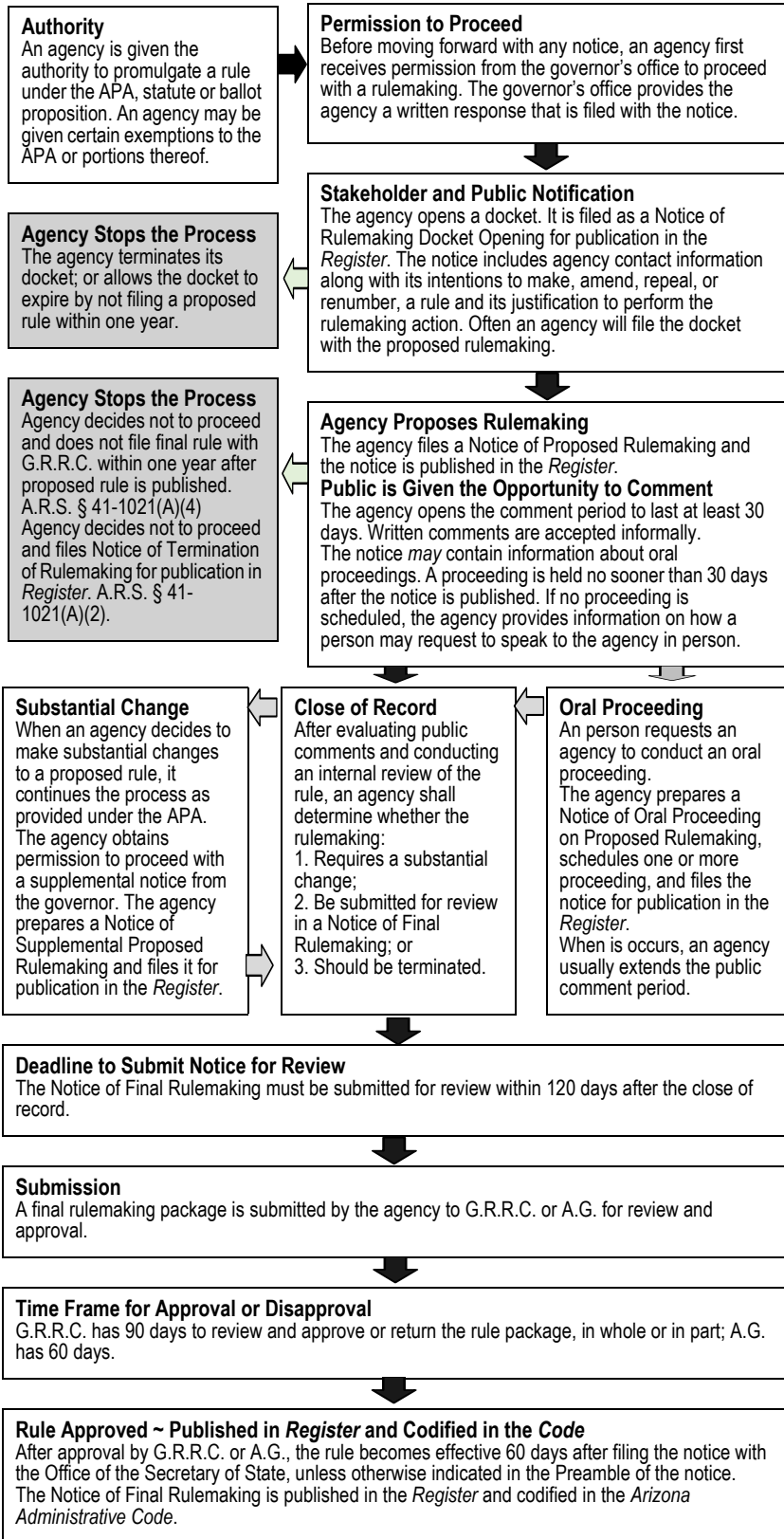
Write the Agency

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

START THE PROCESS HERE



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 West. 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.

NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

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

CHAPTER 2. CORPORATION COMMISSION - FIXED UTILITIES

[R25-303]

PREAMBLE

- 1. Permission to proceed with this final rulemaking was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**
Not applicable

<u>2. Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable)</u>	<u>Rulemaking Action</u>
R14-2-901	Repeal
R14-2-902	Repeal
R14-2-903	Repeal
R14-2-904	Repeal
R14-2-905	Repeal
R14-2-906	Repeal
R14-2-907	Repeal
R14-2-908	Repeal
R14-2-909	Repeal

- 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; A.R.S. §§ 40-202, 40-203, 40-321, 40-322(A), and 40-361

Implementing constitutional provisions and statutes: Arizona Constitution Article XV, §§ 3; A.R.S. §§ 40-202, 40-203, 40-321, 40-322(A), and 40-361

- 4. The effective date of the rule:**

February 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

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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. 1285; Issue Date: April 18, 2025; Issue Number: 16; File Number: R25-67.
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 31 A.A.R. 1249; Issue Date: April 18, 2025; Issue Number 16; File Number: R25-59.

6. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:

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Phoenix, AZ 85007
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Fax: (602) 542-4780
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Website: www.azcc.gov

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 final rulemaking is to repeal Article 9 of Title 14, Chapter 2, the Customer-Owned Pay Telephone Rules, due to an absence of market demand, because they are outdated, and because they no longer serve any regulatory purpose and are not reflective of the current Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") Utilities Division Staff process.

It is contemplated that COPT service providers will have to submit applications under an alternative set of rules. The final rule changes conform with the Commission's Rules Review Procedure ("RRP") as adopted by the Commission in Decision No. 78544 (April 28, 2022). The approach taken for the proposed repeal of the rules is expected to be the least intrusive and least costly method of achieving the purpose of the proposed rule amendments. The costs associated with repealing the rules is 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:

Not applicable

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) requires that the following information be provided concerning this final rulemaking:

- i. The conduct and its frequency of occurrence that the rule is designed to change: the repeal of the COPT Rules is designed to eliminate the current requirements for COPT providers to apply for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity or to apply for adjudication not a public service corporation.
- 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 COPT rules is intended to eliminate the requirements described in item 9(i), which will be replaced with alternative requirements for providers of COPT service. Without the repeal of the COPT Rules, the requirements will remain in place.
- iii. The estimated change in frequency of the targeted conduct expected from the rule change: the repeal of the COPT Rules is expected to eliminate the conduct, which will no longer be required.

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 final rulemaking. Specifically, this rulemaking will repeal A.A.C. Title 14, Chapter 2, Article 9, the Arizona Corporation Commission's rules for Customer-Owned Pay Telephones ("COPT"). The information provided in the statement explains the affected classes of persons who will be affected by the rules, i.e. applicants for Certifications of Convenience and Necessity for COPT service and the general public, as well as the probable

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impacts on those affected classes. The statement notes that applicants will have to submit applications under an alternative set of rules, which may require additional information, but little or no impact to the general public is expected. 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 statement revenues from the final rulemaking. The statement further explains that the final rules are the least costly and least intrusive method for improving the COPT application process.

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

The COPT Rules, as published in the NPRM contained three minor errors. First, the definition for “Customer of record” in R14-2-901(2) inadvertently omitted the opening quotation mark. Second, R14-2-906(B) contains a cross-reference to R14-2-905(B), which was incorrectly written as “R14-2-2905(B).” Third, R14-2-906(E) contains a reference to A.R.S. § 40-250(B), which was incorrectly written as “A.R.S. § 40250(B).” Corrections to these errors are reflected in the final rulemaking repeal language and do not result in a substantial change.

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

Not applicable

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 located the following Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) regulations:

Title 47, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Part 64, Subpart M, § 34.1330 - State review of payphone entry and exit regulations and public interest payphones.

(a) Each state must review and remove any of its regulations applicable to payphones and payphone service providers that impose market entry or exit requirements.

(b) Each state must ensure that access to dial tone, emergency calls, and telecommunications relay service calls for the hearing disabled is available from all payphones at no charge to the caller.

(c) Each state must review its rules and policies to determine whether it has provided for public interest payphones consistent with applicable Commission guidelines, evaluate whether it needs to take measures to ensure that such payphones will continue to exist in light of the Commission’s implementation of Section 276 of the Communications Act, and administer and fund such programs so that such payphones are supported fairly and equitably.

[61 FR 52323, Oct. 7, 1996, as amended at 71 FR 65751, Nov. 9, 2006]

At this time, Staff makes no conclusions regarding the applicability or impact, if any, of these rules on the Commission rules and recommends further input from industry stakeholders on any rules the Commission may choose to implement for public interest payphones, and access to emergency calls and telecommunications relay service calls.

The FCC and Congress also have created rules and regulations regarding Inmate Calling Services. As the Commission grants COPT CC&Ns to these entities providing Inmate Calling Services under the COPT Rules, further investigation is required to assess what, if any, impact FCC regulations would have on any rules the Commission may choose to implement for Inmate Calling Services.

For example:

S.1541 - Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022

https://www.fcc.gov/sites/default/files/inmate_telephone_service.pdf

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.

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

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16. The full text of the rules follows:

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ARTICLE 9. CUSTOMER-OWNED PAY TELEPHONES REPEALED

Section

- R14-2-901. Definitions Repealed
- R14-2-902. Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Repealed
- R14-2-903. Grant of Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Repealed
- R14-2-904. Application for Adjudication not a Public Service Corporation Repealed
- R14-2-905. Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff Repealed
- R14-2-906. Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff Repealed
- R14-2-907. Reporting Requirements and Safety Standards Repealed
- R14-2-908. Violations Repealed
- R14-2-909. Variations or Exemptions from the Commission's Rules Repealed

ARTICLE 9. CUSTOMER-OWNED PAY TELEPHONES REPEALED

R14-2-901. Definitions Repealed

In this Article, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Affiliate" means any other entity directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by, or under direct or indirect common control with, a customer of record. For purposes of this subsection, the term "control, (including the correlative meanings of the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as used with respect to any entity, means the power to direct the management policies of such entity, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.
2. "Customer of record" means a premises owner or vendor, who has either applied to, or who has obtained from, an LEC an access line to be a COPT provider.
3. "Customer-owned pay telephone (COPT) provider" means an entity authorized by the Commission to provide public pay telephone service to end users and which is not a certificated LEC on the effective date of this Article. For purposes of compliance with Article 5 of this Chapter, "COPT provider" does not mean a "utility" as defined in R14-2-501(24).
4. "800 service" means calls to telephone numbers which normally can be reached without charge to the calling party by dialing 1-800 plus 7 digits.
5. "Entity" means a corporation, partnership, limited partnership, joint venture, trust, estate, or natural person.
6. "Local exchange company (LEC)" means a company which is certificated to operate the local public switched telecommunications network.
7. "Public access line (PAL)" means any LEC tariff under which COPT providers are authorized to obtain access to the local and interexchange telecommunications network.

R14-2-902. Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Repealed

- A.** Within 30 days of the effective date of this Article, all LEC's shall provide written notification of the requirements of this Article to each of their existing customers of record. Such notification shall be in a form acceptable to the Commission and shall explain that all customers of record are required to file either an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity (CC&N) pursuant to this Section or an application for an adjudication not a public service corporation pursuant to R14-2-904.
- B.** Any customer of record requesting PAL service subsequent to the effective date of this Article who was not subject to the provisions of subsections (A) and (E) of this Section, or whose PAL service was terminated pursuant to the provisions of this Article, shall provide to the LEC proof of either:
 1. A CC&N granted pursuant to this Section; or
 2. An adjudication order declaring that it is not a public service corporation pursuant to R14-2-904.
- C.** All customers of record shall submit to the Commission an original and 10 copies of an application for a CC&N. A customer of record who has COPT's placed in more than one location may apply for a single CC&N to cover all locations served.
- D.** Each customer of record shall submit an application on a form provided by the Commission which includes all of the following information:
 1. The name and address of the customer of record, including a contact person for coordinating communications with the Commission and a contact person or telephone number for maintenance and complaint handling. If the customer of record is other than an individual, a listing of the officers, directors, or partners and a copy of the articles of incorporation, partnership agreement, or other organizational document shall be provided.
 2. A description of all affiliated relationships between the customer of record and any public service corporation or telecommunications company.
 3. The addresses and descriptions of locations to be served, including the name of the serving LEC.
 4. A description of the equipment being used to provide service.
 5. A list of services provided and the proposed rates.
 6. An example of the contract between the customer of record and the premises owner, if different.
 7. A description of how information posting and complaint handling requirements will be met.

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8. A customer of record planning to serve more than 50 locations shall submit relevant financial data, including current financial statements, the method of financing operations, and projected annual operating expenses. For purposes of this subsection, the number of service locations shall include all those of the customer of record and affiliates.
 9. One of the following also shall be included:
 - a. A commitment to provide service under the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff; or
 - b. A request for approval of services under a Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff.
- E.** Time-frames for processing applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity
1. This rule prescribes time frames for the processing of any application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity issued by the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to this Article. These time frames shall apply to applications filed on or after the effective date of this rule.
 2. Within 30 calendar days after receipt of an application for a new Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, or to amend or change the status of any existing Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, staff shall notify the applicant, in writing, that the application is either administratively complete or deficient. If the application is deficient, the notice shall specify all deficiencies.
 3. Staff may terminate an application if the applicant does not remedy all deficiencies within 60 calendar days of the notice of deficiency.
 4. After receipt of a corrected application, staff shall notify the applicant within 30 calendar days if the corrected application is either administratively complete or deficient. The time frame for administrative completeness review shall be suspended from the time the notice of deficiency is issued until staff determines that the application is complete.
 5. Within 150 days after an application is deemed administratively complete, the Commission shall approve or reject the application, unless a formal hearing is held.
 6. For purposes of A.R.S. § 41-1072 et seq., the Commission has established the following time frames:
 - a. Administrative completeness review time frame: 30 calendar days;
 - b. Substantive review time frame: 150 calendar days;
 - c. Overall time frame: 180 calendar days.
 7. If an applicant requests, and is granted, an extension or continuance, the appropriate time frames shall be tolled from the date of the request during the duration of the extension or continuance.
 8. During the substantive review time frame, the Commission may, upon its own motion or that of any interested party to the proceeding, request a suspension of the timeframe rules.
- F.** Subsequent to adoption of this Article, the Commission shall issue an order setting time limitations within which LECs, as well as all customers of record providing service as of the effective date of this Article, shall comply with the requirements contained herein.

R14-2-903. Grant of Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Repealed

- A.** The Commission shall analyze an application for a CC&N to determine if it is complete and correct. If necessary, the Commission may request additional information from the CC&N applicant.
- B.** The Commission shall hold a hearing to review an application for a CC&N. The type of hearing held shall depend on the tariff requested by the CC&N applicant:
1. The Commission may hold periodic consolidated hearings to review all applications which request the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff described in R14-2-905.
 2. The Commission shall hold individual hearings to review applications which request a Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff as described in R14-2-906.
- C.** The Commission shall notify in writing the CC&N applicant and the appropriate LEC of the Commission's determination made pursuant to this Section. A CC&N granted under this Section shall be issued in the name of the customer of record.
- D.** All CC&N's granted under this Section shall include both of the following:
1. An obligation to serve all users in a non-discriminatory manner, and
 2. An obligation to comply with all Commission requirements relevant to the provision of intraLATA service.
- E.** A holder of a CC&N shall notify the Commission in writing prior to discontinuing or abandoning COPT service at any location.

R14-2-904. Application for Adjudication not a Public Service Corporation Repealed

- A.** Any entity intending to provide COPT service, or any customer of record, may submit to the Commission an original and 10 copies of an application to be adjudicated not a public service corporation.
- B.** The Commission shall determine whether the adjudication applicant is a public service corporation by examining all of the following factors:
1. What business activities the adjudication applicant conducts or will conduct.
 2. Whether the pay telephone service is or will be dedicated to public use.
 3. Whether the adjudication applicant accepts or will accept substantially all requests for service.
 4. Whether the adjudication applicant is or will be the sole offeror of pay telephone service in the area, or is in competition with other providers.
 5. Whether the public safety and convenience requires maintenance of public telephone facilities at the locations designated in the application.
- C.** The Commission shall notify in writing the adjudication applicant and the appropriate LEC of the Commission's determination made pursuant to subsection (B) of this Section. Such notification shall be made within 180 days of receipt of an application submitted pursuant to subsection (A) of this Section.
- D.** An adjudication applicant adjudicated a public service corporation under the provisions of this Section shall submit an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity pursuant to R14-2-902 within 30 days of receiving notice of the Commission's determination.

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~~E. An adjudication applicant adjudicated not a public service corporation under this Section shall be exempt from the requirements contained in this Article.~~

R14-2-905. Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff Repealed

~~A. All COPT providers holding CC&N's granted under this Article shall comply with the terms of the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission pursuant to R14-2-906.~~

~~B. In the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff, the Commission shall specify the rates, terms, and conditions associated with the following standards:~~

- ~~1. The rates and charges to end users for local calling.~~
- ~~2. The rates and charges to end users for intrastate toll calling.~~
- ~~3. The application of toll charges, if any, for use of "800" services.~~
- ~~4. The accessibility by end users of alternative toll carriers.~~
- ~~5. Limitations on service to local calling and access to local operators.~~
- ~~6. Instructions on how to make a call and how to obtain refunds.~~
- ~~7. Duration of local calls before additional charges apply.~~
- ~~8. The provision of emergency service and local directory assistance.~~
- ~~9. Acceptable methods of payment by end users.~~
- ~~10. Design and technical specifications for instruments.~~
- ~~11. The provision of operator services.~~
- ~~12. Procedures for obtaining approval for provision of services not included in the tariff.~~
- ~~13. The termination of PAL service at any location for violation of tariff provisions.~~

~~C. The Commission may approve and revise the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff as necessary.~~

R14-2-906. Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff Repealed

~~A. Instead of concurring with the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff, a COPT provider may file a proposed Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff with an application for a CC&N submitted pursuant to R14-2-902.~~

~~B. The Commission shall analyze each proposed Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff on an individual basis. In reviewing the proposed Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff, the Commission shall consider the standards listed in R14-2-905(B).~~

~~C. While a proposed Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff is pending before the Commission, the COPT provider shall comply with the provisions of the Generic (Streamlined) COPT Tariff.~~

~~D. Following a hearing, the Commission may approve, modify, or reject any proposed Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff.~~

~~E. Changes may be made to a Special (Non-Streamlined) COPT Tariff as a result of a tariff filing made pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-250(B) or an individual rate proceeding.~~

R14-2-907. Reporting Requirements and Safety Standards Repealed

~~A. All COPT providers shall submit an annual report to the Commission on a form prescribed by the Commission. The annual report shall be filed on or before the first day of February for the preceding calendar year. The annual report shall include all of the following information:~~

- ~~1. A description of any material changes in the information provided by the COPT provider in the original CC&N application or in the last annual report.~~
- ~~2. An updated list of all locations served by the COPT provider.~~
- ~~3. The COPT provider's gross operating revenues derived from intrastate operations during the preceding calendar year.~~

~~B. A COPT provider having gross operating revenues derived from intrastate operations during the preceding calendar year which exceed \$250,000 shall be subject to the annual assessment described in A.R.S. § 40-401.~~

R14-2-908. Violations Repealed

~~A. The Commission may order a LEC to immediately terminate PAL service to any customer of record which:~~

- ~~1. Fails to do one of the following:
 - ~~a. Obtain a CC&N to provide service pursuant to R14-2-902 and R14-2-903; or~~
 - ~~b. Receive an adjudication that it is not a public service corporation pursuant to R14-2-904.~~~~
- ~~2. Violates any applicable pricing or service standard as described in approved tariffs and R14-2-903, R14-2-905, and R14-2-906.~~

~~B. LEC shall not offer PAL service to a customer of record unless one of the following requirements has been met:~~

- ~~1. The customer of record has received a CC&N from the Commission; or~~
- ~~2. The customer of record has been adjudicated not a public service corporation.~~

~~C. A LEC in violation of subsection (B) of this Section shall be subject to the penalty provisions contained in A.R.S. §§ 40-421 to 40-433.~~

~~D. Any COPT provider found by the Commission to be in violation of subsection (A)(2) of this Section shall be subject to revocation of its CC&N.~~

R14-2-909. Variations or Exemptions from the Commission's Rules Repealed

~~Variations or exemptions from the terms and requirements of any of the rules included in this Article shall be considered upon the verified application of an affected party to the Commission setting forth the circumstances whereby the public interest requires such variation or exemption from the Commission's rules. Such application will be subject to the review of the Commission, and any variation or exemption granted shall require an order of the Commission. In case of conflict between these rules and an approved tariff or order of the Commission, the provisions of the tariff or order shall apply.~~

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An agency shall prepare and file a Notice of Final Exempt Rulemaking to be published in the *Register* as specified in the Arizona Administrative Procedure Act (APA), by the Arizona State Legislature in statute, or under a referendum or initiative passed into law by Arizona voters.

The Office makes a distinction publishing certain exemptions as provided in these laws, on a case-by-case basis, as determined by an agency's exemption. Other rule exemption types are published elsewhere in the *Register*.

Notices of Final Exempt Rulemaking as published in this section have been made under spe-

cific conditions, such as requiring a Notice of Proposed Exempt Rulemaking to be published in the *Register* or on an agency's website for public comment.

The authority authorizing the exemption is provided under item #3 of the preamble.

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 Exempt Rulemaking are published in the *Arizona Administrative Code* by title and chapter.

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TITLE 7. EDUCATION

CHAPTER 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

[R25-304]

PREAMBLE

- 1. Permission to proceed with this final rulemaking was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**
September 26, 2025

2. <u>Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable)</u>	<u>Rulemaking Action</u>
R7-2-701	Amend
R7-2-703	Amend
R7-2-704	Amend
R7-2-709	Amend
R7-2-712	Amend
R7-2-1301	Amend
R7-2-1302	Amend
R7-2-1303	Amend
R7-2-1304	Amend
R7-2-1305	Amend
R7-2-1306	Amend
R7-2-1307	Amend
R7-2-1308	Amend
R7-2-1309	Amend

- 3. Citations to the agency's statutory rulemaking authority to include the authorizing statute (general) and the implementing statute (specific):**

Authorizing statute: A.R.S. § 15-203

Implementing statute: A.R.S. § 15-203

Statute or session law authorizing the exemption: A.R.S. § 41-1005(F)

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4. The effective date of the rule:

December 8, 2025

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:

Not applicable

6. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:

Name: Federico Yanez
Title: Project Director of Policy
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Phoenix, AZ 85007
Telephone: (602) 689-9973
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Website: azsbe.az.gov

7. An agency's justification and reason why a rule should be made, amended, repealed or renumbered, to include an explanation about the rulemaking:

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§ 15-505. Discipline; educator information system; personnel list; definitions states:

- “A. Pursuant to the rules and procedures adopted pursuant to section 15-203, the state board of education shall investigate written complaints alleging that a noncertificated person has engaged in immoral or unprofessional conduct.
- B. The state board of education may review a complaint and determine whether to take disciplinary action against a noncertificated person who has engaged in immoral or unprofessional conduct, including prohibiting the person's employment at a school district or charter school for up to five years except as otherwise prescribed in section 15-550. The state board shall adopt rules and procedures for disciplinary action of noncertificated persons that are substantially similar to the rules and procedures for certificated persons.”

The attached rulemaking draft was adopted by the State Board of Education in order to enhance clarity, update procedural guidelines, and efficiently streamline the processing of contested cases and hearings. The revisions primarily focus on updating terminology and clarifying procedural steps related to allegations, complaints, investigations, and disciplinary actions concerning certificated and non-certificated personnel.

State Board of Education (“Board”) Rule Draft Summary:

1. Updates definitions and terminology throughout to modernize rule language, ensure clear identification of terms, and maintain consistency between Board rule and Arizona Revised Statute. Replaces references to “individual(s)” to “person(s)” in order to align to correct legal language and establishes a new definition for “person.”
2. Expands the Board’s authority to grant a rehearing or review of decisions in cases where it is established that the required service of a document did not occur.
3. Aligns Board procedures to other standard professional licensing board practices through granting hearing bodies the ability to move cases forward to summary disposition of disciplinary action when the alleged party does not respond to or participate in the hearing process.
4. Establishes a new section formalizing procedures for the reinstatement of certificated and noncertificated persons after their satisfactory completion of disciplinary action imposed by the Board.
5. Provides for the provision of additional information contained within notices of intent to impose disciplinary actions and reinforces the requirement of notice of a person’s right to request a hearing.
6. Allows for the hearing officer to address subpoenas related to educator discipline and issued to the Board and Board staff.
7. The proposed changes were crafted in collaboration with the Attorney General's Office with the goal of clarifying rule language and streamlining processes to allow for educator discipline hearings to be heard in a timely manner.

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:

Not applicable

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

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

Not applicable

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:

After receiving approval from the Governor's Office to open rulemaking procedures for Article 7 - Adjudications and Article 13 - Conduct, the Board opened rulemaking procedures at its September 29, 2025 regular meeting and provided the following public comment opportunities.

State Board of Education Public Comment Opportunities:

September 29, 2025 Regular Meeting

October 27, 2025 Regular Meeting

December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting

October 21, 2025 Virtual Public Hearing - A virtual public hearing for this rulemaking package was scheduled for October 21, 2025. There were no registrants for public comment.

October 23, 2025 Virtual Public Hearing - After receiving no registrants for public comment or virtual attendees, the October 21, 2025 virtual hearing was rescheduled and held on October 23, 2025 to extend the opportunity to provide public comments. There were no registrants for public comments at the follow up hearing.

The Board received continuous feedback and recommendations from the Attorney General's Office throughout the duration of the rulemaking process due to the technical nature of the proposed rule revisions. This collaborative drafting process assisted the Board in ensuring that the approved rulemaking drafts were completed in proper form and maintained compliance with Arizona Revised Statutes.

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:

Not applicable

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:

Not applicable

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:

Not applicable

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:

Not applicable

14. A list of any incorporated by reference material as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1028 and its location in the rules:

Not applicable

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:

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ARTICLE 7. ADJUDICATIONS

R7-2-701. Definitions

In this Article, unless the context otherwise specifies:

1. “Board” means the State Board of Education.
2. “Chairman” means the chairperson of the Professional Practices Advisory Committee, established pursuant to R7-2-205.
3. “Contested case” means any proceeding in which the legal rights, duties or privileges of a party are required by law to be determined by the State Board of Education after an opportunity for hearing.
4. “Department” means the Arizona Department of Education.
5. “Document” includes papers such as complaints, petitions, motions, responses and notices.
6. “Hearing body” means the Board or the Professional Practices Advisory Committee.
7. “Party” means each person or agency named or admitted as a party or properly seeking and entitled as of right to be admitted as a party.
8. “PPAC” means the Professional Practices Advisory Committee, established pursuant to R7-2-205.
9. “Presiding officer” means a hearing officer, with either a minimum of three years of verified experience in the practice of law or a minimum of one year of verified experience in conducting hearings, who shall oversee hearings pursuant to this Article.
10. “Pupil” means any student enrolled in an Arizona public or private school defined in A.R.S. § 15-101. “Pupil” also means any student who was enrolled in an Arizona public or private school at the time of the events which are the subject of a proceeding.
11. “Victim” means any person who has been previously identified pursuant to state law as a victim in a criminal proceeding which is the basis for a contested case.
12. “Service” means delivery of a document to a person by any means listed in Rule 5 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, by first-class mail to the address of record as listed in the records of the Department, or by electronic means, including email, if the person requested or consented to delivery by those means.

R7-2-703. Contested Cases; Notice; Hearing Records

- A. ~~In a contested case, the parties shall be afforded an opportunity for hearing after reasonable notice. The notice shall be given.~~ A person who has requested a hearing pursuant to R7-2-1303(C) shall be given notice of the hearing at least 20 days prior to the date set for the hearing.
- B. The notice of hearing shall include:
 1. A statement of the time, place and nature of the hearing.
 2. A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held.
 3. A reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved.
 4. A short and plain statement of the matters asserted. If a party is unable to state the matters in detail at the time the notice is served, the initial notice may be limited to a statement of the issues involved. Thereafter upon application a more definite and detailed statement shall be furnished.
- C. Opportunity shall be afforded all parties to respond and present evidence and argument on the issues involved.
- D. The Board may dispose of any contested case by decision or approved stipulation, agreed settlement, consent agreement or by default.
- E. ~~A The hearing before a hearing body in a contested case or any part thereof shall be recorded manually or by a recording device and shall be transcribed on request of any party, unless otherwise provided by law. The cost of such transcript shall be paid by the party making the request, unless otherwise provided by law or unless assessment of the cost is waived by the Board.~~

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- F. The Board or the presiding officer may reschedule the hearing, maintaining due regard for the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.
- G. The record in a contested case shall include:
 - 1. All pleadings, motions and interlocutory rulings.
 - 2. Evidence received or considered, including confidential evidence received in executive session.
 - 3. A statement of matters officially noticed.
 - 4. Objections and offers of proof and rulings thereon.
 - 5. Proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations of the hearing body.
 - 6. All staff memoranda, other than privileged communications, or data submitted to the hearing body in connection with its consideration of the case.
 - 7. A victim impact statement, if submitted by the victim.
- H. Findings of fact shall be based exclusively on the evidence and on matters officially noticed.

R7-2-704. Service; Proof of Service

- A. The Board shall serve notices of intent to impose disciplinary action, notices of hearing, findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations of the hearing body, and decisions and final orders of the Board, either by personal service or by first class mail or by email at the request of the parties involved. All other documents required to be served by the Board may be served by regular or certified mail or may be personally served or may be served by email at the request of the parties involved.
- B. After service of a notice of hearing in a contested case, a copy of every document filed by a party, or individual seeking to intervene, shall be served on all parties to the contested case, or their lawyers if represented, at the same time the document is filed. Filing with the Board and service shall be completed by personal delivery, first-class mail or email.
- C. The following evidences completed service:
 - 1. If personally served, an affidavit of personal service, sworn to by the individual serving the document and stating the name of the individual upon whom it was served, where service was made, and the date of such service; or
 - 2. If served by certified mail, proof of delivery; or
 - 3. If served by email or regular mail, either a statement subscribed on the document filed, or an affidavit indicating the date mailed and listing those to whom it was mailed.
- D. When a party is represented by an attorney, service shall be made on the attorney. ~~If a notice of hearing shows service on the Attorney General, all documents served thereafter shall be served on the Assistant Attorney General named on the notice of hearing or who later appears on behalf of the Attorney General, or if no Assistant Attorney General is named, then on the Attorney General, Education and Health Section, Education Unit. Service on the Board in a case brought pursuant to this Article shall be made on the attorney for the Board as stated in the notice of hearing and by email to the Education Unit of the Arizona Attorney General's Office.~~

R7-2-709. Rehearing and Review of Decisions

- A. After a hearing is held, a party in a contested case who is aggrieved by a decision rendered by the Board may file with the Board, not later than 30 days after such decision has been made, a written motion for rehearing specifying the particular grounds therefor. A response may be filed within 15 days after service of such motion by any other party. The Board may require the filing of written briefs on the issues raised in the motion or response and may provide for oral argument.
- B. A rehearing of a decision by the Board may be granted for any of the following causes materially affecting the moving party's rights:
 - 1. Irregularity in the administrative proceedings of the hearing body, or abuse of discretion, whereby the moving party was deprived of a fair hearing.
 - 2. Misconduct of the hearing body or the prevailing party.
 - 3. Accident or surprise which could not have been prevented by ordinary prudence.
 - 4. Newly discovered material evidence which could not with reasonable diligence have been discovered and produced at the hearing.
 - 5. Excessive or insufficient penalties.
 - 6. Error in the admission or rejection of evidence or other errors of law occurring at the administrative hearing.
 - 7. That the decision is not justified by the evidence or is contrary to the law.
 - 8. Insufficient or inadequate service of a document required to be served under this Article or R7-2-1301 et seq.
- C. The Board may affirm or modify the decision or grant a rehearing before a hearing body to all or any of the parties, on all or part of the issues, for any of the reasons set forth in subsection (B) of this section. An order granting a rehearing shall specify with particularity the ground or grounds on which the rehearing is granted, and the rehearing shall cover only those matters so specified.
- D. After giving the parties or their counsel notice and an opportunity to be heard on the matter, the Board may grant a motion for rehearing for a reason not stated in the motion. The order granting such a rehearing shall specify the grounds therefor.
- E. ~~Not later than 20 days after a decision is rendered, the~~ The Board may, on its own initiative, order a rehearing of its decision for any of the reasons for which it might have granted a rehearing on motion of a party set forth in subsection (B). The order granting such a rehearing shall specify the grounds therefor.
- F. When a motion for rehearing is based upon affidavits they shall be served with the motion. An opposing party may, within ten days after service of such motion, serve opposing affidavits and this period may be extended for an additional period not exceeding 20 days, by the Board for good cause shown or by written stipulation of the parties. Reply affidavits may be permitted.
- G. After a hearing has been held and a final administrative decision has been entered, a party is not required to file a motion for rehearing or review of the decision in order to exhaust the party's administrative remedies.

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- H. Any party in a contested case who is aggrieved by a decision rendered by the Board may file with the Board, not later than 20 days after such decision has been made, a written request for review of the decision. If a review of the decision is granted, the Board may affirm or modify the previous decision.

R7-2-712. Subpoenas

- A. The Board or the presiding officer may issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and for the production of books, records, documents and other evidence on its own volition or at the request of a party. ~~The Any subpoena issued under this section shall be signed by a Board employee designated by the Board or presiding officer, as applicable. A subpoena directed at the Board or any member or employee thereof may only be issued by the presiding officer, except as otherwise provided in law.~~
- B. A request for a hearing subpoena shall be in writing and served on each party at least seven days prior to the date set for hearing and shall state:
1. The name of the contested case, the case number, and the time and place where the witness is expected to appear and testify;
 2. The name and address of the witness subpoenaed;
 3. The documents, if any, sought to be provided; and
 4. A brief statement of the relevance of testimony or documents.
- C. On application of a party or the agency and for use as evidence, the presiding officer may permit a deposition to be taken, in the manner and upon the terms designated by the presiding officer, of a witness who cannot be subpoenaed or is unable to attend the hearing.
- D. The individual to whom a subpoena is directed shall comply with its provisions unless, prior to the date set for appearance, the presiding officer grants a written request to quash or modify the subpoena. The request shall be submitted to the Board and state the reasons why it should be granted. The presiding officer shall grant or deny such request by order.
- E. The party requesting the subpoena shall prepare it and cause it to be served upon the individual to whom it is directed and on all parties in the same manner as provided for service of subpoenas in civil matters before the superior court. The return of service shall be filed with the Board.

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R7-2-1301. Definitions

In this Article, unless the context otherwise specifies:

1. “Alleging party” means ~~an individual, partnership, corporation, association, governmental subdivision or unit of a governmental subdivision, a public or private organization of any character or other agency who completes a statement alleging immoral or unprofessional conduct against a certificated individual~~ a person who has filed with the Board a statement of allegations pursuant to R7-2-1302.
2. “Applicant” means a noncertificated person who has been disciplined by the Board and who has submitted an application requesting reinstatement of the person’s legal right to work in a public school, or a person who has submitted an application to the Department requesting an evaluation of the requirements set forth in R7-2-601 et seq., requesting issuance of a certificate pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq., requesting renewal of a certificate issued pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq. or requesting changes of coding to existing files or certificates pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq.
3. “Board” means the State Board of Education.
4. “Certificated ~~individual person~~” means ~~an individual a person~~ who holds ~~or has held an Arizona~~ a certificate or certificates issued pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq.
5. “Complaint” means the filing of a charge by the Board against a certificated ~~individual~~ or noncertificated person alleging immoral or unprofessional conduct.
6. “Department” means the Arizona Department of Education.
7. “Hearing” means ~~an adjudicative proceeding~~ a hearing held pursuant to A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 6 and R7-2-701 et seq.
8. “Noncertificated ~~individual person~~” means a noncertificated person defined in A.R.S. § 15-505(F)(1), as determined by the Board.
9. “Person” has the meaning prescribed in A.R.S. § 1-215(29)
- 9-10. “PPAC” means the Professional Practices Advisory Committee established pursuant to R7-2-205.

R7-2-1302. Statement of Allegations

- A. Any person may file, with the Board, a statement of allegations against a certificated or noncertificated ~~individual person~~ on forms provided by the Board.
- B. A statement of allegations shall state the facts under which a party is alleging immoral or unprofessional conduct and shall be signed and notarized.
- C. The facts in a statement of allegations shall clearly state the details of the alleged immoral or unprofessional conduct.
- D. A statement of allegations shall contain the names, addresses and telephone numbers of individuals who can be contacted to provide information regarding the allegations contained in the statement. The list of individuals shall also include a brief summary of the substance and extent of each individual’s knowledge regarding the allegations contained in the statement.
- E. The alleging party may attach written or other evidence to a statement of allegations at the time that the statement is filed with the Board.
- F. A statement of allegations may be returned to the alleging party if the statement is not complete or not legible.
- G. The Board shall conduct an investigation of all statements of allegations filed pursuant to this Article.

R7-2-1303. Complaint Notice of Intent to Impose Disciplinary Action; Request for Hearing

- A. Upon completion of an investigation resulting from a statement of allegations, the Board may file a ~~complaint~~ notice of intent to impose disciplinary action against a certificated or noncertificated ~~individual person~~, may issue or deny certification to an applicant,

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or may reinstate a noncertificated individual's legal right to work in a public school and matters related to immoral or unprofessional conduct, unfitness to teach, and the discipline of noncertificated ~~individuals~~ persons pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-505.

- B. The Board may, at its own discretion, investigate any matter and file a complaint notice under this section against a certificated or noncertificated ~~individual~~ person upon receiving any information, from any source, indicating immoral or unprofessional conduct has occurred.
- C. A hearing shall be held on a complaint before the PPAC. The person named in the notice may request a hearing prior to the Board imposing disciplinary action. If the person does not serve a request for a hearing upon the Board prior to the Board imposing disciplinary action at a public meeting, the Board may deem the allegations of unprofessional or immoral conduct undisputed and impose the disciplinary action described in the notice without further notice to the person on its own motion or the motion of any party in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1061(D).
- D. A notice issued under this section shall inform the person of the right to request a hearing and shall set forth the following:
 - 1. The nature of the disciplinary action including, as applicable, the duration and any conditions;
 - 2. The legal authority and jurisdiction for the disciplinary action;
 - 3. The particular sections of statutes and rules involved;
 - 4. A short and plain statement of the relevant facts and other matters asserted; and
 - 5. The time, date and place of the public meeting at which the Board will consider and, upon a majority vote, impose the disciplinary action.

R7-2-1304. ~~Notification;~~ Notice of Investigation; Opportunity to Respond

- A. A certificated or noncertificated person shall be provided notice of an investigation initiated pursuant to R7-2-1305.
- B. The certificated or noncertificated ~~individual~~ person shall have 20 days from service by U.S. mail and email of the notice of investigation to file a written response with the Board.

R7-2-1305. Investigation

- A. Applicants shall certify on forms that are provided by the Department whether the applicant:
 - 1. Has ever received any disciplinary action, including revocation, suspension or reprimand, involving any professional certification or license;
 - 2. Is currently under investigation or has ever been the subject of any investigation by the Department of Child Safety or a similar department in this state or another jurisdiction;
 - 3. Has ever been convicted of a felony offense;
 - 4. Has ever been arrested, cited and released, or received a criminal summons for any offense, regardless if eventually convicted of a crime or if a conviction was set aside or expunged; or
 - 5. Has ever been arrested, cited and released, or received a criminal summons for any offense involving a child, regardless if eventually convicted of a crime or if a conviction was set aside or expunged.
- B. Upon receipt of notification that an applicant, certificated, or noncertificated ~~individual~~ person has engaged in unprofessional or immoral conduct pursuant to R7-2-1308, conduct that would warrant disciplinary action if the person had been certified at the time that the alleged conduct occurred, or conduct listed in subsections (A)(1) through (5), the Board shall initiate an investigation.
- C. Applicants, certificated, and noncertificated ~~individuals~~ persons who are alleged to have engaged in unprofessional or immoral conduct pursuant to R7-2-1308, conduct that would warrant disciplinary action if the person had been certified at the time that the alleged conduct occurred, or conduct listed in subsections (A)(1) through (5) shall provide the Board with copies of court records and law enforcement reports pertaining to the offense.

R7-2-1306. ~~Repealed~~ Reinstatement Following Disciplinary Action; Procedures

- A. Upon completion of any conditions imposed, the certificated or noncertificated person shall request a letter of completion from the Board, which shall issue said letter upon verifying satisfactory completion of any disciplinary action, including any conditions imposed.
- B. The certificated or noncertificated person shall present the letter of completion to the Department with an application for reinstatement. The Department shall collect any applicable fees provided in R7-2-618.
- C. Notwithstanding subsection (A), the Board may refer the matter for a hearing before the PPAC for a recommendation on whether the certificated or noncertificated person should be reinstated pursuant to R7-2-205(A) and R7-2-717.

R7-2-1307. Unprofessional or Immoral Conduct; Criminal Offenses

- A. The Board shall prohibit a noncertificated ~~individual's~~ person's employment at a school district or charter school, ~~or~~ revoke, not issue, or not renew the certification or certifications of a certificated ~~individual~~ person, who has been convicted of committing or attempting, soliciting, facilitating, or conspiring to commit any of the following criminal offenses in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction:
 - 1. Sexual abuse of a minor;
 - 2. Incest;
 - 3. First-degree murder;
 - 4. Second-degree murder;
 - 5. Manslaughter;
 - 6. Sexual assault;
 - 7. Sexual exploitation of a minor;
 - 8. Commercial sexual exploitation of a minor;
 - 9. A dangerous crime against children;
 - 10. Armed robbery;

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11. Aggravated assault;
 12. Sexual conduct with a minor;
 13. Molestation of a child;
 14. Exploitation of minors involving drug offenses;
 15. Sexual abuse of a vulnerable adult;
 16. Sexual exploitation of a vulnerable adult;
 17. Commercial sexual exploitation of a vulnerable adult;
 18. Child sex trafficking;
 19. Child abuse;
 20. Abuse of a vulnerable adult;
 21. Molestation of a vulnerable adult;
 22. Taking a child for the purpose of prostitution;
 23. Neglect or abuse of a vulnerable adult;
 24. Sex trafficking;
 25. Sexual abuse;
 26. Production, publication, sale, possession and presentation of obscene items;
 27. Furnishing harmful items to minors;
 28. Furnishing harmful items to minors by internet activity;
 29. Obscene or indecent telephone communications to minors for commercial purposes;
 30. Luring a minor for sexual exploitation;
 31. Enticement of persons for purposes of prostitution;
 32. Procurement by false pretenses of person for purposes of prostitution;
 33. Procuring or placing persons in a house of prostitution;
 34. Receiving earnings of a prostitute;
 35. Causing one's spouse to become a prostitute;
 36. Detention of persons in a house of prostitution for debt;
 37. Keeping or residing in a house of prostitution or employment in prostitution;
 38. Pandering;
 39. Transporting persons for the purpose of prostitution, polygamy and concubinage;
 40. Portraying adult as a minor;
 41. Admitting minors to public displays of sexual conduct;
 42. Unlawful sale or purchase of children;
 43. Child bigamy;
 44. Trafficking of persons for forced labor or services;
 45. Kidnapping; or
 46. Child enticement
- B.** Upon notification by the clerk of the court, magistrate, or court of competent jurisdiction, the Board shall immediately and permanently prohibit a noncertificated ~~individual's person's~~ individual person employment at a school district or charter school or revoke the certificate or certificates of a certificated ~~individual person~~ individual person who has been convicted of any of the following offenses:
1. A dangerous crime against children as defined in A.R.S. § 13-705;
 2. Sexual abuse as prescribed in A.R.S. § 13-1404 in which the victim was a minor;
 3. Sexual assault as prescribed in A.R.S. § 13-1406 in which the victim was a minor;
 4. Sexual conduct with a minor as prescribed A.R.S. § 13-1405;
 5. A preparatory offense as prescribed in A.R.S. § 13-1001 of any of the offenses listed in subsections (B)(1), (2), (3) or (4);
 6. Any crime that requires the person to register as a sex offender; or
 7. An act committed in another state or territory that if committed in this state would have been one of the offenses listed in subsections (B)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6).
- C.** If the Board takes disciplinary action against a noncertificated ~~individual person~~ individual person or, does not issue, does not renew, or revokes a certificate or certificates due to a person's conviction or admission of an offense listed in subsection (A), but which is not an offense listed in subsection (B), the notice of non-issuance, non-renewal, or revocation shall inform the person of that person's right to request a hearing within 20 days of service of the notice subject to the conditions set forth in subsection (D).
- D.** Notwithstanding subsection (A), the Board may allow a noncertificated ~~individual person~~ individual person to be employed at a school district or charter school or may issue, renew, or not revoke the certificate or certificates of a person who has been convicted of an offense or offenses listed in subsection (A), but which is not an offense listed in subsection (B), if, at a hearing before the PPAC held pursuant to ~~Article 7 R7-2-701 et seq.~~ Article 7 R7-2-701 et seq., the PPAC finds that at least one of the following conditions is met:
1. The individual was previously reviewed, investigated, or disciplined by the Board for the conviction or convictions prior to the implementation of R7-2-1307 on March 27, 2019; or
 2. The individual has provided evidence consisting of certified copies of police reports, court orders, or other official records related to the conviction or convictions that demonstrate that all of the following are true:
 - a. The criminal offense or offenses did not involve harm to a minor and
 - b. The criminal offense or offenses was originally a misdemeanor or reduced to a misdemeanor or the judgment of guilt has been set aside, vacated, expunged, or pardoned.
- E.** At the hearing described in subsection (D), the individual shall present, and the PPAC ~~shall~~ shall consider evidence that the individual meets the conditions set forth in subsection (D). PPAC shall also consider mitigating and aggravating factors surrounding the conviction.

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tion or convictions at issue, factors bearing on the individual's fitness as an educator, other allegations of unprofessional or immoral conduct, or any other criminal activity.

- F. The criminal offenses set forth in subsection (A) constitute immoral or unprofessional conduct in addition to the acts set forth in R7-2-1308.

R7-2-1308. Unprofessional and Immoral Conduct

- A. ~~Noncertificated individuals and individuals holding certificates issued by the Board pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq. and individuals applying for certificates issued by the Board pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq.~~ Certificated persons, noncertificated persons, and applicants shall:
 1. Make reasonable efforts to protect pupils from conditions harmful to learning, health, or safety;
 2. Account for all funds collected from pupils, parents, or school personnel;
 3. Adhere to provisions of the Uniform System of Financial Records related to use of school property, resources, or equipment; and
 4. Abide by copyright restrictions, security, or administration procedures for a test or assessment.
- B. ~~Noncertificated individuals and individuals holding certificates issued by the Board pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq. and individuals applying for certificates issued by the Board pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq.~~ Certificated persons, noncertificated persons and applicants shall not:
 1. Discriminate against or harass any pupil or school employee on the basis of race, national origin, religion, sex, including sexual orientation, disability, color or age;
 2. Deliberately suppress or distort information or facts relevant to a pupil's academic progress;
 3. Misrepresent or falsify pupil, classroom, school, or district-level data from the administration of a test or assessment;
 4. Engage in a pattern of conduct for the sole purpose or with the sole intent of embarrassing or disparaging a pupil;
 5. Use professional position or relationships with pupils, parents, or colleagues for improper personal gain or advantage;
 6. Falsify or misrepresent documents, records, or facts related to professional qualifications or educational history or character;
 7. Assist in the professional certification or employment of a person the ~~certificate~~ certificated holder person knows to be unqualified to hold a position;
 8. Accept gratuities or gifts that influence judgment in the exercise of professional duties;
 9. Possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol on school premises or at school-sponsored activities;
 10. Illegally possess, use, or be under the influence of marijuana, dangerous drugs, or narcotic drugs, as each is defined in A.R.S. § 13-3401;
 11. Make any sexual advance towards a pupil or child, either verbal, written, or physical;
 12. Engage in sexual activity, a romantic relationship, or dating of a pupil or child;
 13. Submit fraudulent requests for reimbursement of expenses or for pay;
 14. Use school equipment to access pornographic, obscene, or illegal materials; or
 15. Engage in conduct which would discredit the teaching profession.
- C. Individuals found to have engaged in unprofessional or immoral conduct shall be subject to, and may be disciplined by, the Board.
- D. Procedures for making allegations, complaints, and investigation of unprofessional or immoral conduct shall be as set forth in this Article.
- E. Application forms and certificates shall include the rules and statutes related to unprofessional and immoral conduct, including resignation from a contracted position without authorization and duties to report as required by law.
- F. Individuals applying for certificates issued by the Board pursuant to R7-2-601 et seq shall certify:
 1. That they have read and understood the rules and statutes related to unprofessional and immoral conduct, including resignation from a contracted position without authorization and duties to report as required by law; and
 2. Whether they have been disciplined or are under investigation in another state for engaging in conduct that is immoral or unprofessional.

R7-2-1309. Summary Suspension

- A. If a certificate holder is arrested, cited and released, or received a criminal summons for an offense listed in R7-2-1307 and if the Board finds the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, the Board may proceed under A.R.S. § 41-1064(C) ordering a summary suspension of a certificate while other proceedings are pending. The Board shall provide notice to the certificate holder of the meeting pursuant to R7-2-703 and R7-2-704.
- B. If a noncertificated ~~individual person~~ individual person is arrested, cited and released, or received a criminal summons for an offense listed in R7-2-1307 and if the Board finds the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, the Board may proceed under A.R.S. § 41-1064(C) ordering a summary suspension of the right to work in a school district or charter school while other proceedings are pending. The Board shall provide notice to the noncertificated ~~individual person~~ individual person of the meeting pursuant to R7-2-703 and R7-2-704.
- C. Summary suspensions issued by the Board shall remain in effect pending a public hearing and final decision by the Board pursuant to ~~Article 7~~ R7-2-701 et seq. of this title.

NOTICES OF AGENCY OMBUDSMAN

The Administrative Procedure Act requires the publication of Notices of Agency Ombudsman under A.R.S. §§ [41-1006\(A\)](#) and [41-1013\(B\)\(13\)](#).

An ombudsman is an agency's point of contact who assists members of the public or regulated community seeking information or guidance from the agency.

NOTICE OF AGENCY OMBUDSMAN

DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY

[M25-104]

1. The agency's name:

Arizona Department of Child Safety (DCS)

2. The ombudsman's contact information:

Name: Jessica Anthony
Title: Ombudsman
Division: Office of Accountability
Address: 3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 108
Phoenix, AZ 85012
Telephone: (602) 364-0777
Fax: (833) 856-8972
Email: Ombudsman@azdcs.gov
Website: <https://dcs.az.gov/resource/complaint-or-disagreement>

NOTICE OF AGENCY OMBUDSMAN

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

[M25-105]

1. The agency name:

Arizona Department of Water Resources

2. The ombudsman's contact information:

Name: Trent Blomberg
Title: Chief Legislative Liaison and Ombudsman
Division: Director's Office
Address: 1110 W. Washington, Suite 310
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Telephone: (602) 771-8489
Fax: (602) 771-8689
Email: tblomberg@azwater.gov

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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 provided 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

[M25-106]

1. Name of the agency proposing the delegation agreement:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

2. The name of the political subdivision to which functions, powers and duties of the agency are proposed to be delegated:

Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District, PO Box 579

3. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom persons may direct questions or comments:

Balaji Vaidyanathan

Manager, Air Quality Permits Section

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division

1110 W. Washington St.

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: (602) 771-4527

Email: bv1@azdeq.gov

4. A summary of the delegation agreement and the subjects and issues involved:

Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 49-107 & 49-501(D), the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality proposes to delegate authority to Beaver Dam / Littlefield Fire District, the Local Agency ("LA"), the program elements listed below, subject to certain conditions and limitations described in the delegation agreement. The proposed delegated program elements include:

The Functions and Duties delegated to the LA by this Agreement are identified by A.R.S. § 49-501 and A.A.C. R18-2-602 pertaining to issuing permits for open burning.

5. Copies of the proposed delegation agreement may be obtained from the agency as follows:

A copy of the proposed Agreements may be obtained by request to the ADEQ Central Office for public records pertaining to the delegation of the issuance of open burn permits.

Or contact: Edwin Slade III, Administrative Counsel

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Office of Administrative Counsel

1110 W. Washington St.

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Telephone: (602) 771-2242

Email: slade.edwin@azdeq.gov

6. The schedule of public hearings on the proposed delegation agreement:

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 Public Hearing pursuant to A.A.C. R18-1-401 and R18-1-402.

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 5:00 p.m. or postmarked not later than that date.

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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 interpretation services or for disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting: 7-1-1 for TDD; (602) 771-2215 for Disability Accessibility; or Ian Bingham, Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator at (602) 771-4322 or ldb@azdeq.gov.

ADEQ tomará medidas razonables para proveer acceso a los servicios del departamento para personas con capacidad limitada para hablar, escribir o entender Inglés y / o para las personas con discapacidad. Las solicitudes de servicios de interpretación del lenguaje o de alojamiento de discapacidad deben hacerse por lo menos 48 horas de antelación poniéndose en contacto con Ian Bingham, Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator al (602) 771-4322 o ldb@azdeq.gov

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

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EXEMPT PROPOSED

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PXM = Proposed Exempt amended Section
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PX# = Proposed Exempt renumbered Section

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SPXR = Supplemental Proposed Exempt repealed Section
SPXM = Supplemental Proposed Exempt amended Section
SPX# = Supplemental Proposed Exempt renumbered Section

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FXM = Final Exempt amended Section
FXR = Final Exempt repealed Section
FX# = Final Exempt renumbered Section

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EM = Emergency amended Section
ER = Emergency repealed Section
E# = Emergency renumbered Section
EEXP = Emergency expired

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A.R.S. § 41-1032(A), as amended by Laws 2002, Ch. 334, § 8 (effective August 22, 2002), states a rule generally becomes effective 60 days after the day it is filed with the Secretary of State’s Office. The following table lists filing dates and effective dates for rules that follow this provision. Please also check the rulemaking notice’s Preamble for effective dates.

January		February		March		April		May		June	
Date Filed	Effective Date	Date Filed	Effective Date	Date Filed	Effective Date	Date Filed	Effective Date	Date Filed	Effective Date	Date Filed	Effective Date
1/1	3/2	2/1	4/2	3/1	4/30	4/1	5/31	5/1	6/30	6/1	7/31
1/2	3/3	2/2	4/3	3/2	5/1	4/2	6/1	5/2	7/1	6/2	8/1
1/3	3/4	2/3	4/4	3/3	5/2	4/3	6/2	5/3	7/2	6/3	8/2
1/4	3/5	2/4	4/5	3/4	5/3	4/4	6/3	5/4	7/3	6/4	8/3
1/5	3/6	2/5	4/6	3/5	5/4	4/5	6/4	5/5	7/4	6/5	8/4
1/6	3/7	2/6	4/7	3/6	5/5	4/6	6/5	5/6	7/5	6/6	8/5
1/7	3/8	2/7	4/8	3/7	5/6	4/7	6/6	5/7	7/6	6/7	8/6
1/8	3/9	2/8	4/9	3/8	5/7	4/8	6/7	5/8	7/7	6/8	8/7
1/9	3/10	2/9	4/10	3/9	5/8	4/9	6/8	5/9	7/8	6/9	8/8
1/10	3/11	2/10	4/11	3/10	5/9	4/10	6/9	5/10	7/9	6/10	8/9
1/11	3/12	2/11	4/12	3/11	5/10	4/11	6/10	5/11	7/10	6/11	8/10
1/12	3/13	2/12	4/13	3/12	5/11	4/12	6/11	5/12	7/11	6/12	8/11
1/13	3/14	2/13	4/14	3/13	5/12	4/13	6/12	5/13	7/12	6/13	8/12
1/14	3/15	2/14	4/15	3/14	5/13	4/14	6/13	5/14	7/13	6/14	8/13
1/15	3/16	2/15	4/16	3/15	5/14	4/15	6/14	5/15	7/14	6/15	8/14
1/16	3/17	2/16	4/17	3/16	5/15	4/16	6/15	5/16	7/15	6/16	8/15
1/17	3/18	2/17	4/18	3/17	5/16	4/17	6/16	5/17	7/16	6/17	8/16
1/18	3/19	2/18	4/19	3/18	5/17	4/18	6/17	5/18	7/17	6/18	8/17
1/19	3/20	2/19	4/20	3/19	5/18	4/19	6/18	5/19	7/18	6/19	8/18
1/20	3/21	2/20	4/21	3/20	5/19	4/20	6/19	5/20	7/19	6/20	8/19
1/21	3/22	2/21	4/22	3/21	5/20	4/21	6/20	5/21	7/20	6/21	8/20
1/22	3/23	2/22	4/23	3/22	5/21	4/22	6/21	5/22	7/21	6/22	8/21
1/23	3/24	2/23	4/24	3/23	5/22	4/23	6/22	5/23	7/22	6/23	8/22
1/24	3/25	2/24	4/25	3/24	5/23	4/24	6/23	5/24	7/23	6/24	8/23
1/25	3/26	2/25	4/26	3/25	5/24	4/25	6/24	5/25	7/24	6/25	8/24
1/26	3/27	2/26	4/27	3/26	5/25	4/26	6/25	5/26	7/25	6/26	8/25
1/27	3/28	2/27	4/28	3/27	5/26	4/27	6/26	5/27	7/26	6/27	8/26
1/28	3/29	2/28	4/29	3/28	5/27	4/28	6/27	5/28	7/27	6/28	8/27
1/29	3/30			3/29	5/28	4/29	6/28	5/29	7/28	6/29	8/28
1/30	3/31			3/30	5/29	4/30	6/29	5/30	7/29	6/30	8/29
1/31	4/1			3/31	5/30			5/31	7/30		

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July		August		September		October		November		December	
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7/1	8/30	8/1	9/30	9/1	10/31	10/1	11/30	11/1	12/31	12/1	1/30
7/2	8/31	8/2	10/1	9/2	11/1	10/2	12/1	11/2	1/1	12/2	1/31
7/3	9/1	8/3	10/2	9/3	11/2	10/3	12/2	11/3	1/2	12/3	2/1
7/4	9/2	8/4	10/3	9/4	11/3	10/4	12/3	11/4	1/3	12/4	2/2
7/5	9/3	8/5	10/4	9/5	11/4	10/5	12/4	11/5	1/4	12/5	2/3
7/6	9/4	8/6	10/5	9/6	11/5	10/6	12/5	11/6	1/5	12/6	2/4
7/7	9/5	8/7	10/6	9/7	11/6	10/7	12/6	11/7	1/6	12/7	2/5
7/8	9/6	8/8	10/7	9/8	11/7	10/8	12/7	11/8	1/7	12/8	2/6
7/9	9/7	8/9	10/8	9/9	11/8	10/9	12/8	11/9	1/8	12/9	2/7
7/10	9/8	8/10	10/9	9/10	11/9	10/10	12/9	11/10	1/9	12/10	2/8
7/11	9/9	8/11	10/10	9/11	11/10	10/11	12/10	11/11	1/10	12/11	2/9
7/12	9/10	8/12	10/11	9/12	11/11	10/12	12/11	11/12	1/11	12/12	2/10
7/13	9/11	8/13	10/12	9/13	11/12	10/13	12/12	11/13	1/12	12/13	2/11
7/14	9/12	8/14	10/13	9/14	11/13	10/14	12/13	11/14	1/13	12/14	2/12
7/15	9/13	8/15	10/14	9/15	11/14	10/15	12/14	11/15	1/14	12/15	2/13
7/16	9/14	8/16	10/15	9/16	11/15	10/16	12/15	11/16	1/15	12/16	2/14
7/17	9/15	8/17	10/16	9/17	11/16	10/17	12/16	11/17	1/16	12/17	2/15
7/18	9/16	8/18	10/17	9/18	11/17	10/18	12/17	11/18	1/17	12/18	2/16
7/19	9/17	8/19	10/18	9/19	11/18	10/19	12/18	11/19	1/18	12/19	2/17
7/20	9/18	8/20	10/19	9/20	11/19	10/20	12/19	11/20	1/19	12/20	2/18
7/21	9/19	8/21	10/20	9/21	11/20	10/21	12/20	11/21	1/20	12/21	2/19
7/22	9/20	8/22	10/21	9/22	11/21	10/22	12/21	11/22	1/21	12/22	2/20
7/23	9/21	8/23	10/22	9/23	11/22	10/23	12/22	11/23	1/22	12/23	2/21
7/24	9/22	8/24	10/23	9/24	11/23	10/24	12/23	11/24	1/23	12/24	2/22
7/25	9/23	8/25	10/24	9/25	11/24	10/25	12/24	11/25	1/24	12/25	2/23
7/26	9/24	8/26	10/25	9/26	11/25	10/26	12/25	11/26	1/25	12/26	2/24
7/27	9/25	8/27	10/26	9/27	11/26	10/27	12/26	11/27	1/26	12/27	2/25
7/28	9/26	8/28	10/27	9/28	11/27	10/28	12/27	11/28	1/27	12/28	2/26
7/29	9/27	8/29	10/28	9/29	11/28	10/29	12/28	11/29	1/28	12/29	2/27
7/30	9/28	8/30	10/29	9/30	11/29	10/30	12/29	11/30	1/29	12/30	2/28
7/31	9/29	8/31	10/30			10/31	12/30			12/31	3/1

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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 (*first column*) and issue dates (*second column*) are provided. Governor Regulatory Review Council meetings and *Register* deadlines do not correlate. Also listed 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*.

Deadline Date Friday, 5:00 p.m. <i>(*earlier date due to holiday)</i>	<i>Register</i> Publication Date	Oral Proceeding may be scheduled on or after
November 14, 2025	December 5, 2025	January 5, 2026
November 21, 2025	December 12, 2025	January 12, 2026
November 28, 2025	December 19, 2025	*January 20, 2026
December 5, 2025	December 26, 2025	January 26, 2026
December 12, 2026	January 2, 2026	February 2, 2026
December 19, 2025	January 9, 2026	February 9, 2026
December 26, 2025	January 16, 2026	*February 17, 2026
January 2, 2026	January 23, 2026	February 23, 2026
January 9, 2026	January 30, 2026	March 2, 2026
January 16, 2026	February 6, 2026	March 9, 2026
January 23, 2026	February 13, 2026	March 16, 2026
January 30, 2026	February 20, 2026	March 23, 2026
February 6, 2026	February 27, 2026	March 30, 2026
February 13, 2026	March 6, 2026	April 6, 2026
February 20, 2026	March 13, 2026	April 13, 2026
February 27, 2026	March 20, 2026	April 20, 2026
March 6, 2026	March 27, 2026	April 27, 2026

GOVERNOR’S REGULATORY REVIEW COUNCIL DEADLINES

MEETING DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

These deadlines 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 <https://grrc.az.gov>.

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DEADLINE FOR PLACEMENT ON AGENDA*	FINAL MATERIALS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL	DATE OF COUNCIL STUDY SESSION	DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING
<i>Tuesday</i> December 23, 2025	<i>Wednesday</i> January 21, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> January 27, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> February 3, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> January 20, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> February 17, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> February 24, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> March 3, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> February 17, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> March 24, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> March 31, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> April 7, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> March 24, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> April 21, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> April 28, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> May 5, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> April 21, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> May 19, 2026	<i>Wednesday</i> May 27, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> June 2, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> May 19, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> June 23, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> June 30, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> July 7, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> June 23, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> July 21, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> July 28, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> August 4, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> July 21, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> August 18, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> August 25, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> September 1, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> August 18, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> September 22, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> September 29, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> October 6, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> September 22, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> October 20, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> October 27, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> November 3, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> October 20, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> November 17, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> November 24, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> December 1, 2026
<i>Tuesday</i> November 17, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> December 22, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> December 29, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> January 5, 2027
<i>Tuesday</i> December 22, 2026	<i>Tuesday</i> January 19, 2027	<i>Tuesday</i> January 26, 2027	<i>Tuesday</i> February 2, 2027

* Materials must be submitted by 5 p.m. on dates listed as a deadline for placement on a particular agenda. Placement on a particular agenda is not guaranteed.