

**REPORT OF THE
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE
OF THE
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

September 18, 2009

Mr. Co-Chairmen:

The Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations met at 9:00a.m.on Tuesday, September 15, 2009, in Room 151 of the State Capitol. The following committee members attended: Senate Co-Chair, Percy Malone and House Co-Chair, Representative Mike Burris; Senators Kim Hendren, Paul Bookout, Cecile Bledsoe, Steve Bryles, and Steve Faris; Representatives Ray Kidd, Bill Sample, John Paul Wells, Johnnie Roebuck, and Nathan George. Other legislators attended as follows: Senators Sue Madison and Bill Pritchard; and Representatives Jody Dickinson, David R. Cook, Mark Martin, Randy Stewart, Donna Hutchinson, Mike Patterson, Buddy Lovell, Rick Saunders, J.R. Rogers, Johnny Hoyt, Eddie Cooper, R. Gregg Reep, and Willie Hardy.

1. The Committee completed its review of the following rules filed pursuant to A.C.A. § 10-3-309:

**ARKANSAS ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
COMMISSION (Jennifer Jones Taylor)**

- a. Continuing Mediation Education Requirements for Certified Mediators
- b. Requirements for the Certification of Mediator for Arkansas Circuit Courts

ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DEPARTMENT (Bob Leslie)

- a. Rule 4.04.lc; Sales Used in Ratio Study
- b. Change in Market Value Between Reappraisals

**ARKANSAS APPRAISER LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION
BOARD (Jim Martin)**

- a. Registration of Appraisal Management Companies

ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY (Layne Anderson,
Sara Braswell, Nona Robinson)

- a. 2009 Guidance to Implement the Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP)
and Section 1602 Exchange Program
- b. 2009 Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Policies and Procedures
Manual

STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS (Susie Stormes)

- a. Reimbursement of Expenses for State Funded Elections
- b. Election Officials (Poll Workers) Training
- c. County Election Commissioners Training
- d. Voter Intent
- e. Provisional Voting
- f. Nonpartisan Judicial Office Filing Fees
- g. Citizen Complaints of Non-HAVA Violations of Election and Voter
Registration Laws

STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS (Rachael
McGrew)

- a. Revisions to Rules and Regulations

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (Janis Harrison, Jim Kernan)

- a. State Administration of Justice Fund

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION (Tara Smith)

- a. Arkansas Health Education Grant Program
- b. Higher Education Opportunities Grant Program
- c. Law Enforcement Officers' Dependents Scholarship Program
- d. Military Dependents Scholarship Program
- e. Arkansas Governor's Scholars Program

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (Jeff Wood)

- a. Revisions to Rules to Comply with 2009 Legislative Enactments

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, COUNTY OPERATIONS (Cathy Rowe)

- a. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program Block Grant for FFY 2010
- b. State Plan for Fiscal Years 2010-2011 Community Services Block Grant Program

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, MEDICAL SERVICES (Jeff Wood)

- a. Rehabilitative Services for Person with Mental Illness (RSPMI) Update #114
- b. Under 16 Bed ICF/MR Facilities Rate Adjustment
- c. ICF/MR Provider Fee Per Diem Adjustment
- d. ICF/MR Provider Fee Administrative Procedures
- e. Criminal Record Checks for Employees of Long Term Care Facilities
- f. Arkansas Medicaid State Plan Amendment #2009-008; Personal Care Rate Increase
- g. Arkansas State Medicaid State Plan Amendment #2009-002 and Ventilator Update #96

STATE BOARD OF NURSING (Fred Knight)

- a. Chapter 1, General Provisions; Nursing Student Loan Program

ARKANSAS PSYCHOLOGY BOARD (Dr. Joe Alford)

- a. Annual Continuing Education Reporting

ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM (George Hopkins)

- a. Lump-Sum Death Benefit (No. 11-2)
- b. Calculator of Final Average Salary (No. 7-1)
- c. Proof of Service Credit (No. 7-2)
- d. Age and Service Voluntary Retirement (No. 9-1)

- e. Employment of an ATRS Retiree by a Participating Employer (No. 10-2)

2. The Committee tabled the following rule until the next meeting:

OIL AND GAS COMMISSION

- a. General Rule B-43; Establishment of Drilling Units for Gas Production from Conventional and Unconventional Sources of Supply Occurring in Certain Prospective Areas not Covered by Field Rules

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Percy Malone

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