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

December 19, 2008

Mr. Co-Chairmen:

The Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations met at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2008, in Room 151 of the State Capitol. The following committee members attended: Senator John Paul Capps and Representative Daryl Pace, Chairs; Senators Percy Malone, Steve Bryles and Kim Hendren; Representatives Johnny Key, Chris Thyer, David Dunn, Lamont Cornwell and Scott Sullivan. Other legislators attended as follows: Senators Paul Bookout, Randy Laverty and Terry Smith, and Jimmy Jeffress; Representatives Larry Cowling, Bill Sample, Monty Davenport, George Overbey, Curren Everett, Bruce Maloch, Bill Abernathy, Tommy Baker, Gregg Reep, John Lowery, Lance Reynolds, Johnny Hoyt, R. J. Saunders, Eric Harris, Clark Hall, Johnnie Roebuck, David Rainey, Randy Stewart, Charolette Wagner, David Wyatt, Nathan George, Jerry Brown, Frank Glidewell, Billy Gaskill, Donna Hutchinson, and Buddy Lovell. Richard Carroll, Representative-Elect also attended.

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

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (Tripp Walter)

a. Purchase of Instructional Materials by Arkansas School Districts

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, CENTER FOR HEALTH PROTECTION, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TRAUMA SYSTEMS (David Taylor)

a. Rules and Regulations for Trauma Systems

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE (Lynda Lehing)

a. Hospital Discharge Data Submittal Guide

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES (Charlotte Carson, Breck Hopkins)

a. RSPMI Provider Certification Amendment 1

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, SERVICES FOR THE BLIND (Katy Morris, Jim Pearson)

a. Vendor Operating Procedures

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, COUNTY OPERATIONS (Larry Crutchfield)

- a. Food Stamp Policy 6400; Dependent Care Deduction.
- b. Food Stamp Policy 4420 and 4460; Retirement and Educational Accounts

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (Charlene Young-Hauser, Damien Hicks)

a. Administrative Procedures Manual, Chapter 303, Vendor Maintenance

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, MEDICAL SERVICES (Marilyn Strickland)

- a. Arkansas Medicaid State Plan Amendment #2008-013; Personal Care Rate Increase
- b. Arkansas Medicaid State Plan Amendment 2007-021; Private Duty Nursing Services
- c. Hyperalimentation Update #116; and Prosthetics Update #123
- d. Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy Services Provider
 Manual Update #105; Physician/Independent
 Lab/CRNA/Radiation Therapy Center Provider Manual Update
 #162; Home Health Provider Manual Update #119; Nurse
 Practitioner Provider Manual Update #108; Hospital/Critical
 Access Hospital (CAH)/End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Provider

- Manual Update #148; Child Health Management Services Provider Manual Update #115; Rehabilitative Hospital Update #107
- e. Arkansas Medicaid State Plan Amendment #2008-019 and Rehabilitative Services for Persons with Mental Illness (RSPMI) Update No. 110

ARKANSAS STATE POLICE (Col. Winford Phillips, Lt. Cora Gentry)

a. Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules

OIL AND GAS COMMISSION (Maurice Rigsby)

- a. Rule A-3; Additional Requirements for Specific Types of Hearings
- b. 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

SECURITIES DEPARTMENT (Heath Abshure, Shannon Underwood)

a. Money Services Rules

ARKANSAS VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD (Sherry Glover)

- a. Revisions to Rules and Regulations
- 2. The committee adopted the report of the House and Senate Interim Committees on Public Health, Welfare and Labor concerning the Department of Health Trauma Systems Rule. The committees recommended review of the rule.
- 3. The committee adopted the report of the Joint Public Retirement and Social Security Programs Committee concerning Policy 9-1, Age and Service Voluntary Retirement for the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System. This change to the system's rules would allow cost of living adjustments to be compounded when actuarially appropriate. In its report, the Retirement Committee voted to continue its review of this rule and therefore, offered no recommendation at this time.

- 4. The committee agreed to hold the State Board of Cosmetology's rule revisions in committee until the board provides written information on why the fee changes are necessary. This will be placed on the December 18, 2008 committee agenda.
- 5. Due to the absence of the agency personnel, the Arkansas Development Finance Authority's 2008 Market Study Guidelines for Affordable Rental Housing will be considered on December 18, 2008.
- 6. The Arkansas State Police's Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules were reviewed with a recommended change. The change would be to that "Completion of an NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course and Range Officer Safety Course is recognized by the department for an instructor certificate...."
- 7. The committee reviewed the Department of Human Services, Medical Services, Arkansas Medicaid State Plan Amendment #2008-019 and Rehabilitative Services for Persons with Mental Illness (RSPMI) Update No. 110. Don Sullivan, Providers Association of Arkansas and Steve Newsome, President of Mental Health Council of Arkansas, spoke in favor of the rule. Don Martin, Administrator of the Community Mental Health Program in Garland and Pike Counties felt the rule needed more work. The committee requested that Marilyn Strickland work with Mr. Martin on his concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator John Paul Capps, Co-Chair

Representative Daryl Pace, Co-Chair

REPORT OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR

November 10, 2008

Mr. Co-Chairmen:

At its meeting on November 6, 2008 ALC/Administrative Rules & Regulations Committee referred the following rule to the House & Senate Interim Committees on Public Health, Welfare & Labor:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

a. Trauma Systems

On November 10, 2008 the House & Senate Interim Committees on Public Health, Welfare & Labor met and reviewed this rule.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jack Critcher, Chair

Senate Interim Committee on Public

Health Welfare & Labor

Rep. Eddie Cooper

House Interim Committee on Public

Health, Welfare & Labor

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REPORT OF THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

December 4, 2008

Senator John Paul Capps, Chair Representative Daryl Pace, Chair Administrative Rules and Regulations Committee, Arkansas Legislative Council

Mr. Chairmen:

At its meeting on November 6, 2008, the Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations referred to the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs, the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System's changes to Rules and Regulation No. 9-1 to compound cost of living adjustments, when actuarially appropriate.

On November 24, 2008, the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs held a hearing and reviewed the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System's changes to Rules and Regulation No. 9-1.

The Committee voted to continue its review of Regulation No. 9-1 and, therefore, offers no recommendation to the Administrative Rules and Regulations Committee at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jimmy Jeffress

Representative Eric Harris

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

ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT, STATE PLANT BOARD (Terry Walker)

- a. Regulations on Plant Diseases and Pests; Boll Weevil Regulations for 2009
- b. Regulations on Aquaculture in Arkansas
- c. Regulations on Plant Diseases and Pests; Rice Certification Regulations for 2009

STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY (Tracy Akard, Sheila Caudle)

a. Fee Increase and Other Revisions

ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY (Bruce Bokany)

a. 2008 Market Study Guidelines for Affordable Rental Housing

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION (Byron Freeland, Ron Oliver)

- a. Revisions to Rules and Regulations:
 - 1. Thoroughbred Rule 1217, Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances, Recommended Penalties and Model Rule
 - 2. Rule 1217(A) Anabolic Steroids
 - 3. Rule 1217(A) Shock Wave Therapy
 - 4. EGS Rule 12.2(c) Franchise Holder License
 - 5. Greyhound Rule 1330(f) Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances, Recommended Penalties and Model Rule
 - 6. Rule 1211 Horseshoes
 - 7. Rule 1232(c) Medication: Bute
 - 8. Rule 1232(5) Medication: Furosemide (Lasix)
 - 9. Rule 2230 Entries
 - 10. Rule 2426 Claiming
 - 11. Rule 2426(A) Claiming
 - 12. Rule 2434(b) Claiming
 - 13. ESG Rule 27.7 Uncashed EGS Tickets
 - 14. Greyhound Rule 3200(A) Post Positions
 - 15. Instant Racing Multi-Line and Take or Leave Bonus

HEALTH SERVICES PERMIT AGENCY (Deborah Frazier)

- a. Regulation 100M; Nursing Home Methodology
- b. Regulation 300M; Home Health Criteria
- c. Regulation 110M; Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF) Bed Need Methodology

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (John Zalenski, Melissa Singleton)

a. Revisions to Foster Parent Handbook

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (Charlene Young-Hauser)

a. DHS Sub-Grant Policy

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION (Jon Fitch)

a. EIA (Equine Infectious Anemia) Verifier Regulation

SECTION 529 REVIEW COMMITTEE (John B. Peace)

- a. Arkansas Tax-Deferred Tuition Savings Program: Amended and Restated Program Rules and Regulations
- 2. The committee deferred its review of the Arkansas Racing Commission's Rule 3000 Safety: Use of Controlled Substances or Prescription Drugs by Jockeys and Other Riders. This rule requires jockeys, exercise riders, outriders, pony riders, and all other licensees who ride, walk, or otherwise directly handle and control any horse on the grounds of Oaklawn Park to report to the stewards any use of a prescription drug or a controlled substance which warns the user to avoid driving or operating equipment while using the prescription or controlled substance. The committee expressed concern on whether a jockey or other rider would know whether the drug was a controlled substance and could inadvertently violate the rule. The committee recommended that the Arkansas Racing Commission revise the rule to address this concern and report to the next meeting of the Administrative Rules and Regulations Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator John Paul Capps, Co-Chair

Representative Daryl Pace, Co-Chair