

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated §25-15-201 et seq., notice is hereby given that the Arkansas State Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers (Board) is considering proposed revisions to its Rules and Regulations.

The proposed revisions and modifications to the Rules include but are not limited to, the following subjects and issues: reciprocal licensing for out-of-state licensees; automatic licensure for active-duty military, returning veterans, and spouses; reducing or eliminating certain licensing fees; pre-licensure criminal background checks; a waiver process for applicants with disqualifying criminal convictions; mobile units; establishing an inactive licensee status; examination process; disciplinary proceedings against licensees; continuing education requirements; and licensure applications.

The proposed amendments are posted on the Secretary of State's website at <https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules-regulations/>, the Board's website <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/board-of-hearing-instrument-dispensers>, or you may contact the Board to obtain a written copy by email at arhidboard@gmail.com or by phone at 501-203-4032.

A public hearing will be held on August 7, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. at the Arkansas Attorney General's office, 323 Center St., Ste. 200, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. Written comments from the public will be accepted in advance of the meeting if received prior to July 14, 2020. Written comments should be emailed to arhidboard@gmail.com mailed to the Board at 4815 West Markham Street, Slot 2 Little Rock, AR 72205.