

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING

Pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given that the State Board of Election Commissioners (Board) is proposing amendments to:

- Rules for Nonpartisan Office Filing Fees that clarify that filing fees for nonpartisan office are nonrefundable;
- Rules for Appointment of Certified Election Monitors that amend the qualifications for election monitors;
- Rules for County Election Commissioners Training that amend the qualifications of county election commissioners pursuant to legislative change;
- Rules for Poll Worker Training that set forth procedures for training county clerks pursuant to legislative change;
- Rules for Reimbursement of Expenses For State-Funded Elections that set forth amended procedures for reimbursing counties for election expenses related to state-funded elections;
- Rules for Voter Intent that amend voting equipment definitions and procedures for submitting write-in candidates pursuant to legislative change;
- Rules for Voter Identification that repeal the procedures for processing and administering voter identification requirements;
- Rules on Poll Watchers, Vote Challenges, and Provisional Voting that set forth amended procedures for issuing, processing, and counting provisional ballots; and
- Rules for Citizen Complaints of Non-HAVA (Help America Vote Act) Violations of Election and Voter Registration Laws that amend the procedures for the resolution of alleged violations of election and voter registration laws.

The Board is proposing the following new rules:

- Rules of Practice and Procedure that set forth the general course and method of the board's operations and the procedure for the filing and disposition of petitions for declaratory orders as to the applicability of any rule, statute, or order enforced by the board.

The proposed rules may be viewed at www.arkansas.gov/sbec or copies may be obtained by contacting the Board by email at info.sbec@sos.arkansas.gov, by phone at 800-411-6996 or by written request mailed to: Arkansas State Board of Election Commissioners, 501 Woodlane, Suite 401N, Little Rock, AR 72201.

Written comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 10, 2015. Comments should be sent by email to info.sbec@sos.arkansas.gov or by mail to: Arkansas State Board of Election Commissioners, 501 Woodlane, Suite 401N, Little Rock, AR 72201.