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## **Proposed Rule Cover Sheet**

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## LEGAL NOTICE

The Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVACR) Licensing Board of the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing, 900 West Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. The public hearing is being held for the purpose of accepting public comment on proposed amendments to the administrative rules of the HVACR Licensing Board. The proposed amendments will revise the provisions regarding proof of experience; temporary or provisional licensing; reciprocity; automatic licensure for active duty service members, returning military veterans and their spouses. Additionally, a provision regarding disqualification for criminal offenses to comply with 2019 Ark. Acts 990 is proposed. The provisions provide that the board may grant a waiver in certain circumstances and inquire about criminal convictions, although criminal background checks are not required and not authorized. The proposed amendments would also revise organizational names as needed; replace the term "regulation" with "rule;" and define the term "substantially similar license."

Written comment will be accepted through Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. by the Department of Labor and Licensing at the above address. Any person wishing to appear at the public hearing either in-person, or by ZOOM is requested to call the Labor Standards Section at (501) 682-4534 for ZOOM registration or for in-person protocols. In-person attendees may be called in one at a time if necessary, to follow public health guidelines.

A copy of the proposed amendments may be obtained by calling the Labor Standards Section at (501) 682-4534. A copy of the proposed amendments can also be accessed on the agency's website at: <a href="http://www.labor.arkansas.gov/proposed-rule-making">http://www.labor.arkansas.gov/proposed-rule-making</a> or the Secretary of State's website at: <a href="http://www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules">http://www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules</a> and <a href="regs/index.php/rules/search/new">regs/index.php/rules/search/new</a>.

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