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LEGAL NOTICE

The HVACR Licensing Board of the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing, 900 West Capitol Avenue, suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. The public hearing will be conducted for the purpose of accepting public comment on proposed amendments to the administrative rules of the HVACR Licensing Board. First, the rules would be amended as follows: 1) adding the licensing fee waiver requirement of Act 725 of 2021; 2) establishing a general liability insurance requirement of \$250,000 for certain classes of license as authorized by Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-33-202(8); 3) automatic licensure of uniformed service members pursuant to Act 135 of 2021; 4) establishing continuing education requirements pursuant to Act 978 of 2021; and 5) recognizing apprenticeships pursuant to Act 811 of 2021. Second, the rules would be amended to repeal the board's rule regarding the licensing or certification of HVACR mechanical inspectors employed by state or local government. Finally, an amendment to update the state mechanical code from the 2010 edition of the International Mechanical Code to the 2021 edition of the International Mechanical Code. Other amendments of the rules involve grammar and stylistic changes as a result of government transformation.

Written comment will be accepted through Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. by the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing at the above address. A copy of the proposed amendments may be obtained by calling the Code Enforcement Section at (501)682-4547. A copy of proposed amendments can also be accessed on the Department of Labor's website at:

http://www.labor.arkansas.gov/news/proposed-rule-making/

or the Secretary of State's website at:

http://www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules_and_regs/index.php/rules/search/new

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