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## **Proposed Rule Cover Sheet**

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## **Notice of Rulemaking**

The Arkansas Department of Health, Division of Health Related Boards & Commissions/Arkansas Board of Optometry hereby issue the following proposed amendments to its Rules pursuant to its authority under Ark. Code Ann. § 17-90-204.

The Board is updating its existing rules to update the offenses that may receive a waiver in the criminal background process mandated by Ark. Code Ann. § 17-3-101 et seq.; to update existing rules regarding licensure for military personnel per Ark. Code Ann. § 17-4-101 et seq.; to provide for a fee waiver mandated by Ark. Code Ann. §17-5-104; to provide for licensure of individuals with a "work permit" mandated by Ark. Code Ann. §17-1-109; to include the fee for background checks and the Board's jurisprudence continuing education course per Act 1101 of 2021 and to remove the phrase "moral reputation and character" per Act 990 of 2019.

This proposed policy is available for review at the Board of Optometry's office, 5800 W 10<sup>th</sup> St, Suite 100, Little Rock, AR 7220s. You may also access it on the Board's website at <a href="https://www.aroptometry.org/">https://www.aroptometry.org/</a>. All public comments must be submitted in writing to the Board of Optometry no later than April 19, 2022.

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