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## NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

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This section of the *Arizona Administrative Register* contains Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening.

A docket opening is the first part of the administrative rulemaking process. It is an "announcement" that the agency intends to work on its rules.

When an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking, the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of the Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening.

Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process. Many times an agency may file the Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening with the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The Office of the Secretary of State is the filing office and publisher of these notices. Questions about the interpretation of this information should be directed to the agency contact person listed in item #4 of this notice.

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### NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

#### STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD

[R15-109]

- 1. Title and its heading:** 2, Administration  
**Chapter and its heading:** 8, State Retirement System Board  
**Article and its heading:** 1, Retirement System; Defined Benefit Plan  
**Section number:** R2-8-115, R2-8-118, R2-8-122, R2-8-126

**2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:**

R2-8-115 provides notice to members of the public regarding the procedures for distribution of a member's contributions upon the member's death, upon termination of ASRS employment, or upon the filing of a domestic relations order. The ASRS will amend R2-8-115 to reflect that Ending Payroll Verification may be completed electronically by the employer. It will also amend the rule to state that the ASRS may require a copy of a government issued ID to verify the identity of a withdrawing member who has been inactive for 5+ years and has \$1,000+ on their account balance.

R2-8-118 provides notice to members of the public of how the ASRS calculates and applies interest rates. The ASRS will amend this rule to clarify that "voluntary additional contributions" refers to contributions that are made pursuant to a service purchase, reinstatement, etc.

R2-8-122 provides notice to members of the public regarding when contributions are due and the interest rate for delinquent contributions. The ASRS will amend the rule to be more concise by referring to the ASRS by the agency acronym and by removing unnecessary language such as "without limitation."

R2-8-126 provides notice to members of the public regarding what type of annuity the member may elect based on age and/or dollar amount. The ASRS will amend subsections (B), (C), and (D) of this rule to better clarify for which annuity options each age group is eligible.

**3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

None

**4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rulemaking:**

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**5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

The Board will accept comments during business hours at the address listed in item 4. Information regarding an oral proceeding will be included in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.



- 6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**  
To be determined

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### ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS) ADMINISTRATION

[R15-108]

1. **Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services  
**Chapter and its heading:** 22, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System - Administration  
**Article and its heading:** 7, Standards for Payments  
**Section numbers:** R9-22-712.05 (*As part of this rulemaking, the Administration may add, delete, or modify Sections as necessary.*)
2. **The subject matter of the proposed rule:**  
A.R.S. § 36-2903.01 requires the Administration to describe in rule how GME appropriated funds for distribution to hospitals for direct costs of the GME programs established or expanded on or after July 1, 2006. In addition the rule describes how indirect GME costs for programs located in a county with a population of less than 500,000 are calculated and distributed and how funds and certified public expenditures apply to other indirect program costs. The intention of this rulemaking is to modify the method of allocating funds for indirect GME costs to permit payments that will cover a greater portion of the costs reported by the GME programs. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-2903.01(G)(9), certain public entities are permitted to transfer funds to the AHCCCS Administration to support these payments. In addition, AHCCCS would like to make additional clarifying changes to the rule.
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**  
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 21 A.A.R. 1815, September 11, 2015 (*in this issue*)
4. **The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**  
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5. **The time which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**  
The Administration will accept written comments Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the address indicated in question #4. Public hearings will be scheduled later to provide a forum for interactive discussion with interested parties. E-mail comments will be accepted.
6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**  
The Administration has initiated this rulemaking within the 60-day time period as stated under A.R.S. § 41-1033. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is published along with this notice.