

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires an agency file a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening which outlines its rulemaking intentions under [A.R.S. § 41-1021](#).

A docket opening and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking are often filed at the same time and published in the same *Register* issue.

If a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is not published in this *Register* that corresponds with a published docket in this week's issue, it simply means the agency has not filed the notice for consideration and public review.

An agency has one year from the publishing of this notice to propose a rule; after one year the docket expires.

Questions about the notice can be answered by the person listed in item #5 of the preamble.

Refer to item #6 in the preamble for information on how to comment on this notice.

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STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD

File Number: R26-54

1. **Permission to proceed with this docket was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**

February 19, 2026

2. **Title and its heading:**

2. Administration

Chapter and its heading:

8. State Retirement System Board

Article and its heading:

3. Long-Term Disability

8. Recovery of Overpayments

Section number:

R2-8-301, R2-8-304, R2-8-804, R2-8-807

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

The ASRS needs to amend its rules to remove unnecessary definitions, clarify when a member may receive LTD benefits, clarify when a member may receive service credit while receiving LTD benefits, and how the ASRS or the ASRS contracted LTD claims administrator may collect an overpayment a forfeiture or LTD benefit. Such clarification will ensure the rules are clear, concise, and consistent and the public is aware of how the ASRS processes LTD benefits and overpayments.

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

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 32 A.A.R. 921, April 24, 2026 (*in this issue*); File Number: R26-51

Notice of Proposed Expedited Rulemaking: 31 A.A.R. 2772; Issue Date: August 29, 2025; Issue Number: 35; File Number: R25-198

Notice of Termination of Proposed Expedited Rulemaking: 31 A.A.R. 4341; Issue Date: November 14, 2025; Issue Number: 46; File Number: R25-256

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

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

The ASRS will accept comments during business hours as provided below through the end of the oral proceeding June 3, 2026. Comments will also be accepted via email at the email address provided under Item #5. Mailed written comments shall be postmarked within 30 days of this published notice.

An oral proceeding regarding the proposed rules will be held as follows:

Date: June 3, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting through Google Meet: <https://meet.google.com/zwi-kgdb-uqu?hs=122&authuser=0>

Join by phone: 302-404-6620; PIN: 855 820 331#

7. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the current proceeding, if known:

Unknown

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION FACILITY DATA**

File Number: R26-55

1. Permission to proceed with this docket was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:

April 7, 2026

2. Title and its heading:

9. Health Services

Chapter and its heading:

11. Department of Health Services – Health Care Institution Facility Data

Article and its heading:

1. Definitions
2. Annual Financial Statements and Uniform Accounting Reports
3. Rates and Charges Schedules
4. Hospital Inpatient Discharge Reporting
5. Emergency Department Discharge Reporting

Section number:

R9-11-101, R9-11-201, R9-11-204, R9-11-301, R9-11-304, R9-11-305, R9-11-401, R9-11-402, R9-11-501, and R9-11-502

Sections may be added, amended, repealed, or renumbered as necessary.

3. The subject matter of the proposed rule:

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 36-104 requires the Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) to adopt rules “prescribing the designated database information to be collected by health professional regulatory boards” pursuant to A.R.S. Title 32, Chapter 32, Article 5. A.R.S. § 36-171 requires the Department to adopt rules to establish and maintain the health care professionals workforce data repository containing the data collected and transferred to the Department. The Department, in its 2025 five-year-review report, identified that the rules’ effectiveness could be improved by making the rules more clear, concise, and understandable by correcting grammatical errors, clarifying the language throughout the rules, and removing obsolete definitions. Any proposed changes will conform to the rulemaking format and style requirements of GRRC and the Office of the Secretary of State.

4. A citation to all published notices relating to the current proceeding:

Not applicable