

In 2010, the Department increased many of its fees for fiscal year 2010-2011 through an exempt rulemaking authorized by the Legislature. The Department is now proposing to make those fee increases permanent, with certain modifications, through a formal rulemaking proceeding under Title 41, Chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes.

A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for this rulemaking was published in the Arizona Administrative Register on December 31, 2010, and an oral proceeding was held on January 31, 2011. On February 1, 2011, the Department submitted a Notice of Final Rulemaking containing the preamble and text of the rules to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council ("GRRC"). Based on comments received after the Notice of Final Rulemaking was submitted to GRRC, the Department revised the Notice of Final Rulemaking by reducing several of the fees established by the rules and making technical, grammatical and formatting changes to the preamble and text of the rules. The Department submitted the revised Notice of Final Rulemaking to GRRC on March 22, 2011.

GRRC will consider whether to approve the fee rules at its meeting on April 5, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the Pharmacy Boardroom located at 1700 W. Washington Street, Third Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. If the rules are approved by GRRC, they will become effective sixty days after they are filed with the Secretary of State. Click [here](#) to view the revised Notice of Final Rulemaking submitted to GRRC on March 22, 2011. For further information, contact Ken Slowinski, Chief Counsel, at 602-771-8472 or by email at kcslowinski@azwater.gov.