

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING INTENT

**TITLE 455. MERIT PROTECTION COMMISSION
CHAPTER 10. MERIT SYSTEM OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed EMERGENCY rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1. General Provisions

455:10-1-2 [AMENDED]

455:10-1-5 [AMENDED]

455:10-1-7 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 3. Jurisdiction, Rights and Processes

455:10-3-1.1 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-2 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-3 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-3.1 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-4.1 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-5 [AMENDED]

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455:10-3-10 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-11 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-15 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-16 [AMENDED]

455:10-3-17 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 7. Investigations

455:10-7-2 [AMENDED]

455:10-7-3 [AMENDED]

455:10-7-4 [AMENDED]

455:10-7-6 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 9. Hearing Process

455:10-9-1 [AMENDED]

455:10-9-2 [AMENDED]

455:10-9-3 [AMENDED]

455:10-9-4 [AMENDED]

455:10-9-5 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. Discipline

455:10-11-1 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-4 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-6 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-9 [REVOKED]

455:10-11-14 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-15 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-16 [AMENDED]

455:10-11-17 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 15. Attorney Fees and Costs

455:10-15-1 [AMENDED]

455:10-15-4 [AMENDED]

455:10-15-6 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 17. Alternative Dispute Resolution

455:10-17-1 [AMENDED]

455:10-17-2 [REVOKED]

455:10-17-3 [AMENDED]

455:10-17-4 [AMENDED]

455:10-17-5 [REVOKED]

455:10-17-6 [REVOKED]

455:10-17-7 [AMENDED]

455:10-17-8 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 19. Internal Agency Grievance Resolution Procedure

Part 1. General Provisions

455:10-19-1 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-2 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-3 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-5 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-7 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-8 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-9 [AMENDED]

Part 3. Responsibilities

455:10-19-20 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-21 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-22 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-23 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-24 [NEW]

Part 5. Grievance Provisions

455:10-19-35 [REVOKED]

455:10-19-37 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-38 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-39 [AMENDED]

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455:10-19-42 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-43 [AMENDED]

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455:10-19-46 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-47 [AMENDED]

Part 7. Grievance Procedure

455:10-19-60 [REVOKED]

455:10-19-61 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-62 [AMENDED]

455:10-19-64 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 21. Presiding Officials, Representatives, Witnesses and Parties

455:10-21-3 [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The proposed rule amendments serve to update the Merit Protection Commission's processes to reflect advances in technology and processes such as digital recording, e-mail notifications and electronic filing. The proposed rule amendments also update statutory citations and requirements that need to be addressed to reflect current framework and guidelines for the Merit Protection Commission's administrative processes. The proposed rule amendments also modify the existing Alternative Dispute Resolution Processes to reflect those most efficacious for both agencies and employees. The proposed amendments also extend the period to file a grievance to facilitate employee issues being addressed at the lowest possible level.

AUTHORITY:

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COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons may submit written and oral comments to Susan Bussey at 3545 N.W. 58th, Suite 360, Oklahoma City, OK 73112, email address: sbussey@mpc.ok.gov, during the period from November 15, 2007 to November 28, 2007.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held at 10:00am on Thursday, November 29, 2007, at the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's Commission Room, 200 N.E. 21st, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Anyone who wishes to speak must sign in at the door by 10:05a.m.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

N/A

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of proposed rules are available at the office of the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission, 3545 N.W. 58th St., Suite 360, Oklahoma City, OK 73112, or online at www.mpc.ok.gov.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., § 303(D), a rule impact statement will be prepared and will be available at the office of the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission, 3545 N.W. 58th St., Suite 360, Oklahoma City, OK 73112, or online at www.mpc.ok.gov on and after publication of this Notice of Rulemaking Intent on November 15, 2007.

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