

**TITLE 35. OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND
FORESTRY
CHAPTER 1. ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 11. Licensing Procedures [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The purpose of the proposed permanent rule amendments is to revise the Department's rules to avoid conflict with the Oklahoma Post-Military Service Occupation, Education and Credentialing Act, 59 O.S. § 4100 et seq., that require expedited professional licensing and certification for active duty military and their spouses. The proposed permanent rule amendments also provide for the automatic renewal of professional licenses and certifications and the waiver of fees and continuing education during deployment of active duty military.

AUTHORITY:

Oklahoma Constitution, Article 6, Section 31; State Board of Agriculture; and 2 O.S. § 2-4; and 59 O.S. § 4100 et seq.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons may submit written comments to Bennett Abbott at bennett.abbott@ag.ok.gov, 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, P.O. Box 528804, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-8804 during the beginning February 1, 2018 and ending March 2, 2018.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held at 1:00 p.m., March 2, 2018 in the ODAFF Board Room, located at the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Bennett Abbott at the address listed above during the period beginning February 1, 2018 and ending March 2, 2018.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of proposed rules may be obtained by visiting www.ag.ok.gov/proposedrules or by contacting Bennett Abbott at the address listed above.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement is available at the address listed above.

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