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The public is encouraged to comment on any of the proposed rules appearing in this issue. Comments must be made in writing and must be submitted to the agency that is proposing the rule. Address your comments to the agency representative whose name and address are printed in the notice of rule making. No special form is required; a handwritten letter will do. Individuals who access the online *Register* (www.dos.ny.gov) may send public comment via electronic mail to those recipients who provide an e-mail address in Notices of Proposed Rule Making. This includes Proposed, Emergency Proposed, Revised Proposed and Emergency Revised Proposed rule makings.

To be considered, comments must reach the agency before the proposed rule is adopted. The law provides for a minimum 45-day public comment period after publication in the *Register* of every Notice of Proposed Rule Making for which full text was included or posted on a state web site, or which is a consensus rule or a rule defined in SAPA § 102(2)(a)(ii); a minimum 60-day public comment period after publication in the *Register* of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making for which a summary of the text of the rule was included in the Notice and the full text of which was not published on a state web site; and a 30-day public comment period for every Notice of Revised Rule Making. If a public hearing is required by statute, public comments are accepted for at least five days after the last such hearing. Agencies are also required to specify in each notice the last date on which they will accept public comment.

When a time frame calculation ends on a Saturday or Sunday, the agency accepts public comment through the following Monday; when calculation ends on a holiday, public comment will be accepted through the following workday. Agencies cannot take action to adopt until the day after public comments are due.

The Administrative Regulations Review Commission (ARRC) is charged with the task of reviewing newly proposed regulations to examine the issues of compliance with legislative intent, impact on the economy, and impact on affected parties. In addition to sending comments or recommendations to the agency, please do not hesitate to transmit your views to ARRC:

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