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## Summary of the

## **RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE**

The State Board of Election Commissioners met on June 23, 2015 and approved for public comment the "Rules of Practice and Procedure". The public comment period ended on August 10, 2015. The State Board of Election Commissioners met again on October 30, 2015 to approve revisions to the "Rules of Practice and Procedure".

Below is a summary of the rules that were approved by the Board on June 23, 2015 for the public comment period, followed by a list of persons commenting on the rule, a summary of the comments, the agency's response to the comments, and the changes to the rules as a result of the public comments.

These rules:

1) set forth a general description of the State Board of Election Commissioners, stating the general course and method of the board's operations and the nature and requirements of the board's formal and informal procedures pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-15-203; and

2) set forth the procedure for the filing and prompt disposition of petitions for declaratory orders as to the applicability of any rule, statute, or order enforced by the board pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-15-206.

PERSONS COMMENTING ON THE RULE None

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS N/A

AGENCY'S RESPONSE TO COMMENTS N/A

## RULE CHANGES AS A RESULT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

N/A. However the board did make one change on its own motion. In Section 1106, the word "either" was inserted to clarify that the board will issue a final order within 90 days of a properly filed petition. The final order will *either* deny the petition or be a declaratory order.