

NOTICE OF RULE HEARING

The NM Secretary of State's Office ("Office") hereby gives notice that the Office will conduct a public hearing to obtain public input on the following rulemaking actions:

Repeal of 1.10.5 NMAC – The Use of Alternative Ballots for Emergency Voting Purposes.

The hearing is scheduled to occur on Friday, August 10, 2018 at 9:00 am at the State Capitol Building, 490 Old Santa Fe Trail Room 322, Santa Fe, and New Mexico.

Authority: Election Code, Section 1-2-1 NMSA 1978.

Purpose: The repeal of 1.10.5 NMAC is necessary as the NM State Legislature during the 2017 session, adopted statutory provisions for the application, issuance and tabulation of provisional ballots in emergency voting situations.

Summary of full text: Repeal of 1.10.5, the use of Alternative ballots for Emergency Voting purposes.

Interested individuals may provide comments at the public hearing and/or submit written or electronic comments to Rebecca Martinez, Elections Administrator, via email at sos.rules@state.nm.us, fax (505)827-8081, or mail to Attn: Rebecca Martinez – proposed repeal of rule, Secretary of State, 325 Don Gaspar, Suite 300, Santa Fe, NM 87501.

Written comments must be received no later than 5:00 pm on the Thursday prior to the first public hearing. However, the submission of written comments as soon as possible is encouraged. Persons may also submit written comments at the public hearing.

Copies of the proposed rule are available for download on the Office's website at <http://www.sos.state.nm.us/> and available at the Office of the Secretary of State located at 325 Don Gaspar Suite 300, Santa Fe, NM 87501. A copy of the proposed rule may also be requested by contacting the Bureau of Elections at (505) 827-3600.

Individuals with disabilities who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in the public hearing are asked to contact Ms. Martinez at (505) 827-3600 as soon as possible to provide requested special accommodations.