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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (ICAR) AGENDA Monday, April 12, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Microsoft Teams Meeting For public comment, please email <u>ADM.Secretary@vermont.gov</u> or call (802) 828-3322 to request call-in information.

- Welcome
- Review and approval of the minutes from the March 8, 2021 meeting
- Note any additions or deletions from the agenda
- Note: The following emergency rules were supported by ICAR Chair Clouser:
 - On March 11, 2021, "Emergency Administrative Rule for Notaries Public and Remote Notarization" filed by the Office of Professional Regulation. This rule will renew the existing temporary emergency rule, which allows for remote notarization, through September 15, 2021.
 - On March 15, 2021, 'Hospital Licensing Rule' by the Agency of Human Services, Department of Health.
 - o On April 2, 2021, 'Rule on Rulemaking', by the Office of the Secretary of State
- Public comment
- Presentation of the following proposed rules:
 - 1. Administrative Rules for Private Investigators and Security Guards, Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
 - a. This rule modernizes the regulation of private investigators, providers of private security, and agencies. The rule will complete efforts undertaken by the Office of Professional Regulation, with grant support from the United States Department of Labor, to simplify regulation, eliminate redundant licensure, and align regulation with real-world practice. First, Act 144 (2018), §24 facilitated a simplified licensing structure, with two tiers of individual licensure for private investigators and security personnel. Second, Act 178 (2020), eliminated the Board of Private Investigative and Security Services, effective October 1, 2020, and established a more efficient, advisor based regulatory model. The Rule replaces an unwieldy system of temporary and provisional licensure with a realistic, eight-hour requirement for pre-employment training of new employees; eliminates licensure of "designated agents" for already-licensed agencies; and allows independent practitioners to operate under a single license.



- 2. Administrative Rules for the Assessing of Professional Credentials Obtained Outside the United States, Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
 - a. The rules provide a process for an applicant, who pursued professional credentials outside of the United States, to obtain a determination regarding whether the applicant's credentials fulfill the requirements for Vermont licensure in a profession. An applicant is required to get a report from a credential evaluation service that provides an assessment of the applicant's credentials. The Office of Professional Regulation will then use that report in determining whether the applicant is qualified for a professional license.
- Committee discussion led by member Diane Sherman on the Public Input form.
- Next meeting date: Monday, May 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
- Adjournment

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