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DATE: December 18, 2024
TO: All Interested Persons
FROM: Office of Skills Development
SUBJECT: Proposed Combined Apprenticeship Rules

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please find attached or available by electronic publication by the Office of Skills Development a proposed Combined Apprenticeship Rule.

Pursuant to the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act, and all other applicable statutes or rules, NOTICE is hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held on January 7th, 2025, at 10 a.m. in the Diamond Mine Room on the second floor of the offices of the Arkansas Department of Commerce, 1 Commerce Way, Little Rock, AR 72202.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to determine whether the Office of Skills Development should adopt the proposed rule. The proposed rule combines and modernizes Arkansas' rules concerning its apprenticeship programs.

All interested persons are encouraged to send their comments, statements, or opinions to the address below or to attend the Public Hearing and present, orally or in writing, statements, arguments, or opinions on the proposed amendments. The record will remain open for public comment until the close of the 30-day period outlined in the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act; in this instance, January 19, 2025.

Persons who wish to testify or make comments are requested to submit intended statements in writing in advance of the Public Hearing. Inquiries should be directed to: Jake Windley, Director of Legislative Affairs & Policies, Arkansas Department of Commerce, 501-682-5355, email: jake.windley@arkansas.gov. A copy of the proposed amendments may be obtained or viewed at <https://arkansasosd.com/grants-application/>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jake G. Windley'.

Jake G. Windley
Director of Legislative Affairs & Policies
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