

TIMELINE FOR OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND COUNCIL (O AFC) RULE MAKING PROCESS

(DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

2023

FEBRUARY

FEB 2

- Council receives draft of proposed rules from Comptroller's office staff before the Feb. 15 meeting.

FEB 15

- Council discusses draft of proposed rules and offers any changes.
- Council votes to adopt proposed rules.
- Staff will begin to update the proposed rules to reflect any changes proposed by the council.

FEB 22

- Staff will circulate the rules for Comptroller's office staff internal review to ensure the changes proposed by the council are incorporated.

MARCH

MARCH 8

- Staff will provide the proposed rules to Comptroller's Revenue Estimating Division for a fiscal analysis to provide any cost estimates for implementing the rules.

MARCH 15

- Staff will add the fiscal analysis to the rule and prepare the rule for final approval by Comptroller's office's internal leadership.

MARCH 22

- Staff will submit the rule to the Texas Register at the Secretary of State's office for posting for public comment.
- The Texas Register's publication process takes two weeks before the rule is available for public comment.

APRIL

APRIL 7

- Rules will be published on the Texas Register for the public to provide their comments.
- The comment period is 30 days after publication.

MAY

MAY 7

- Comment period ends for the rule packet.
- Staff will begin to review and prepare summaries of the comments.
- The length of this process depends on the number and complexity of the comments and recommended changes.

MAY 30 – JUNE 12

- At the next scheduled council meeting, the council may discuss the proposed rules and the comments and edits received.
- The council may vote to accept, decline or make further changes to the rules.
- The council may also vote to withdraw the rules and begin the process again.

JUNE

JUNE 15

- After an affirmative vote on how to proceed with the rules, staff will begin to incorporate the edits and respond to each of the comments in the preamble.

JUNE 23

- Staff review to affirm the rules are ready for submission to the Texas Register for adoption.
- After the rules are submitted to the Texas Register for adoption, the rules will be effective 20 days after they are received by the Texas Register.

JULY

JULY 13

- Rules become effective.