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To: Members, Arkansas State Board of Health

From: Laura Bailey
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Subject: To request approval by the State Board of Health of the following proposed amendments to the Rules for Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Devices.

Authority: Statutory Authority for Promulgating Rules, Arkansas Code §5-65-118

Relevant Acts: Act 841 of 2025

Updates:

1. 5 CAR § 21-102. Definitions:
 - a. Removed simulator device. No longer applicable for interlock calibration maintenance.
 - b. Removed all references to water throughout the document since the simulator is no longer in use.
2. 5 CAR § 21-103. The Office of Alcohol Testing role and functions.
 - a. Inspections by office is updated to annual inspections to reflect current program practice.
3. 5 CAR § 21-104. Manufacturer/ service provider.
 - a. Requirements for approval of device. Additional requirements added to include updates from Act 841 of 2025.
 - b. Vehicle inspection. Added language that interlocks must be installed in operational vehicles to prevent installation in vehicles that will not be used by the offender.
 - c. Instructions to users. Added language that provides a list of expected fees must be provided to the user for cost transparency.
 - d. Denial, suspension, or revocation of certification/ approval of a device. Removed the language regarding the cost of removal and replacement of device. This is not something that the office can enforce.
4. 5 CAR § 21-105. Breath alcohol ignition interlock devices.
 - a. Removed references to visual indicators if the interlock is not used properly. The office cannot authorize the use of flashing lights in a non-emergency vehicle.

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