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DES; credentialing; application; deficiencies

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SENATE BILL 1632

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 41-1971; RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Title 41, chapter 14, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 41-1971, to read:
4 41-1971. Credentialing applications; developmental
5 disabilities services; deficiencies; denial;
6 appeal; rules; definition
7 A. IF THE DEPARTMENT DENIES AN APPLICATION FOR CREDENTIALING OR AN
8 APPLICATION FOR RECREDENTIALING, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL GIVE THE APPLICANT
9 AN OPPORTUNITY TO CORRECT ANY DEFICIENCIES WITH THE APPLICATION THAT LED
10 TO THE INITIAL DENIAL. THE APPLICANT HAS FOURTEEN BUSINESS DAYS AFTER
11 RECEIVING THE NOTICE OF DENIAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO CORRECT THE
12 DEFICIENCIES. IF THE APPLICANT NOTIFIES THE DEPARTMENT IN WRITING WITHIN
13 THE FOURTEEN-DAY PERIOD THAT THE DEFICIENCIES HAVE BEEN CORRECTED, THE
14 DEPARTMENT SHALL REEVALUATE THE CREDENTIALING OR RECREDENTIALING
15 APPLICATION.
16 B. IF AFTER REEVALUATION, THE DEPARTMENT DENIES THE APPLICATION AND
17 DOES NOT INITIATE A CONTRACT WITHIN FOURTEEN BUSINESS DAYS, THE APPLICANT
18 MAY APPEAL THE DECISION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 3 OF THIS CHAPTER.
19 C. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2027, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT RULES TO
20 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.
21 D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "CREDENTIALING" MEANS THE
22 PROCESS OF VERIFYING THE QUALIFICATIONS, STANDARDS AND ANY OTHER
23 REQUIREMENTS A VENDOR MUST HAVE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO CONTRACT WITH THE
24 DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 36-557.