



Statement of Justification and Reasons for Adoption of Temporary Rules

Colorado Department of State Notary Program Rules 8 CCR 1505-11

May 18, 2023

Amended Rule: 5.2.7

The Department of State finds that certain amendments to the existing notary program rules must be adopted and effective immediately to ensure the uniform and proper administration, implementation, and enforcement of the Colorado Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts (RULONA)¹.

Adoption of these rules on a temporary basis is necessary to immediately update by rule the fee increase established in Senate Bill 23-153, which clarifies that the fee a notary may charge for their electronic signature has increased from ten dollars to twenty-five dollars. The rules are immediately effective as it is necessary to provide clear guidance to interested parties, including, but not limited to: notaries and the general public.

For these reasons, and in accordance with the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Department of State finds that temporary adoption of the amendments to existing notary program rules is imperatively necessary to comply with state and federal law and to promote public interests.²

¹ Article 24, Title 21 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

² Section 24-4-103(3) and (6), C.R.S. (2022).