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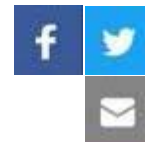
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**DOI Initiates Negotiated Rulemaking Activity**

**BOISE ID** – The Idaho Department of Insurance is working on negotiated rules for the 2019 legislative session and intends to hold public meetings and receive comments as part of its negotiated rulemaking process. Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking through July 27, 2018, however, the Department will otherwise accept comments at any time. This is the first opportunity for public comment; there will be other opportunities going forward.

Public meetings will be held at the Boise office located at 700 W State St, third floor, for anyone wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking process.

**Monday, July 23, 1:30 pm:**

- [Updating language regarding](#) extraordinary dividends of group holding companies– 18.01.23
- [Repeal language providing for imposition of \\$300 annual filing fee to be charged to and paid by the Small Employer Health Reinsurance Program for information received through the Board making the filing unnecessary](#) – 18.01.44
- [Revising language calling for a fire protection sprinkler contractors’ advisory board which has never been formed and eliminating language concerning fees that tie the fee to a percent of the bid amount](#) – 18.01.49
- Adding a section concerning internal audit function requirements for large domestic insurance companies or insurance holding company groups, in order to update the rule ahead of a new NAIC accreditation standard effective 1/1/2020 – 18.01.62

**Monday, July 23, 3:00 pm:**

- [Amend](#) the current rule concerning coverage for congenital anomalies. There is some language in the rule that refers to premiums which denotes health insurance only and causes confusion for self-funded plans. This rulemaking seeks to modify that language. – 18.01.06
- [Streamlining the communication and process](#) regarding advertising materials for disability policies – 18.01.24
- [Health insurers have not provided hearing aid coverage for children based on exclusionary language these rulemakings seek to rectify](#) – 18.01.30 and 18.01.70
- Updates regarding Medicare Supplement plans – 18.01.54

Negotiated rulemaking notices and drafts of the rules revisions are available on the Department website, <https://doi.idaho.gov/publicinformation/laws/Rulemaking>. Additional information will be posted to the same website as the rules progress.

**About the Department of Insurance**

The Idaho Department of Insurance has been regulating the business of insurance in Idaho since 1901. The mission of the Department is to equitably, effectively and efficiently administer the Idaho Insurance Code and the International Fire Code. For more information, visit [www.doi.idaho.gov](http://www.doi.idaho.gov).