



**Department of General Services
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**TO: Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)
Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCOs)
Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBES)
Small Businesses
Small Business and DVBE Advocates
Small Business Advisory Council Members
CalVet DVBE Advisory Council Members**

RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking affecting Certified Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Regulations (including a 45-day public comment period and public hearing date).

The Department of General Services (DGS), Procurement Division, Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS), proposes revisions to the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 2, Division 2, Chapter 3, Subchapter 8, Office of Small Business Procurement and Contracts, Sections 1896 – 1896.22, Subchapter 10.5, Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Participation Goal Program for State Contracts and Subchapter 10.6, Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Incentives, Sections 1896.99.100 – 1896.99.120. These rules are commonly referred to as the Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) regulations, and incorporate the following chaptered legislation:

- Chapter 756, Statutes of 2021, Assembly Bill 1574 (Sections 9 and 15 only)
- Chapter 80, Statutes of 2020, Senate Bill 588
- Chapter 676, Statutes of 2019, Assembly Bill 230
- Chapter 689, Statutes of 2019, Assembly Bill 1365

Furthermore, in line with Government Code section 14836, SB regulations revisions include the addition of a new section 1896.5, Small Business Participation Goals, to notify state departments of their ability to develop contract-specific participation requirements in order to support their participation and meet the overall SB participation goal.

An accompanying Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR) explains, in detail, the changes proposed and provides reasons why they are being contemplated. The current and proposed SB and DVBE regulation text, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and the ISOR are available at the following DGS web page:

- [Notice of Rulemaking Regulations for SB/DVBE](#)

To access and/or download any of these documents, click on the appropriate link located at the web address above. Paper copies are also available for review at the OSDS public counter in Suite 1-400 of the Ziggurat Building, 707 Third Street, West Sacramento, California, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays. The office is closed on holidays.

To request a paper copy of the Notice, text, and ISOR, send an email to SBDVBEregulations@dgs.ca.gov and specify in the Subject line "*SEND PAPER COPY OF PROPOSED SB/DVBE RULE PACKAGE.*" Please include your name and complete mailing address. You may also contact OSDS at (916) 375-4940 to make the request.

A 45-day public review period opens on September 2, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., and ends on October 17, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. Comments on the draft regulations and submissions by interested persons or their authorized representatives will be accepted during this time. The DGS will consider only those comments received during the public review period specified above.

A public hearing will be held on **October 17, 2022, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**, via Zoom. To attend the Public Hearing please register at this link:

- https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_07wNI1xLRRWW2Sokly7z6A

Once registered, a link to the Public Hearing will be sent to the email address entered on the registration page. At this hearing, any person attending may present statements or arguments orally or in writing relevant to the proposed action. DGS requests, but does not require, that persons who offer oral comments at the hearing also submit a written copy of their testimony at the hearing.

You may submit comments and/or questions to:

DGS – Procurement Division
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