

Department of State Announces Public Hearing Schedule for Review of Agency Regulations

The Delaware Department of State announced today that it will hold public hearings next month in all three counties as part of Governor Markell's effort to improve Delaware's regulatory climate and to streamline or eliminate unnecessary regulations.

The Department's public hearings are being conducted in connection with Governor Markell's [Executive Order No. 36](#), a [statewide review](#) by all agencies to identify and remove regulatory hurdles. The Department's hearings are scheduled for:

- Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at Sussex Central High School, 26026 Patriots Way, Georgetown, DE 19947
- Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at Delaware State University, Bank of America Building, Longwood Auditorium, 1200 N. DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901
- Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. at the Carvel State Office Building, 2nd Floor Auditorium, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

"Governor Markell is committed to a thorough reevaluation of state regulations, clearly demonstrated by his signing of Executive Order 36." said Secretary of State Jeffrey W. Bullock. "It is very important to us that members of the public provide feedback on current regulations that they think should be modified or eliminated. We welcome them to either attend one of our public hearings or use the [online submission form](#)."

The online submission form is located at

<http://sos.delaware.gov>. Comments will be accepted through March 1, 2013.

Executive Order 36 provides an opportunity for state agencies to review regulations on their books, and streamline or eliminate those that are outdated, inconsistent or no longer serve their intended purpose. After formal comment, the Department will consider the input received and change or remove regulations accordingly. The Governor will submit a report to the General Assembly detailing the regulatory changes in all state agencies in June 2013.