

# STATE OF ALABAMA BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

## Response to Comment Received

During the input period that ended on July 6, 2026, the Board received one comment on the proposed rule for reconsideration of parole revocation – Alabama Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07. The comment submitted requested (1) section 2 of the proposed rule be revised to prevent the automatic denial of a request that did not use Form ABPP-7 if the requester did not have access to the form, (2) section 2 of the proposed rule be revised so that the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 is extended from two months to six months, and (3) section 5 of the proposed rule be revised to clarify that a person does not need to meet every criteria subject to the legal review. Each requested change will be addressed below.

Revise section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to prevent automatic denial for failure to use Form ABPP-7:

- *Accepted. Section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised so that persons who lack access to Form ABPP-7 and did not submit a completed form will not have their request denied automatically.*

Revise section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to extend the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 from two months to six months:

- *Accepted. Section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised so that the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 will be 6 months.*

Revise section 5 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to clarify that the legal review does not require a person to meet all of the listed criteria:

- *Accepted. The wording in section 5 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised to state that the legal review considers a non-exhaustive list of common issues – any of which could warrant relief from the Board.*

The Board adopts these changes for the following purposes: (1) to avoid automatically disqualifying requests presenting a plausible reason for the Board to reconsider its decision to revoke parole when the requester is not able to access and complete Form ABPP-7, (2) to cover potential delays in persons receiving communications regarding the revocation of parole or the adjudication of new offenses and allowing possible requesters time to review the revocation of their parole, gather materials, and complete Form ABPP-7, and (3) to avoid confusion over the legal review of requests and to clarify that the listed criteria represent a non-exhaustive list of possible reasons any of which could support reconsideration of the Board's revocation decision.