

EXHIBIT B

AR SUMMARY- 01/12/10
BOARD OF PRISON COMMISSIONERS MEETING

AR 152 – Use of Polygraph Examinations (RESCINDED)

--This AR is being rescinded because it may not comply with the specific requirements listed in NRS chapters 289, 613 and 648 relating to the use of polygraph examinations in conjunction with investigations.

AR 210 – Purchasing, Receiving and Payment

--In the **old AR**, the Deputy Director for Industrial Programs was responsible to develop procedures for purchasing, receiving and payment for Prison Industries. This responsibility has been removed from the **new AR**.

--In the **new AR**, a "confirming vendor quotation" is required to be attached to the Stores Requisition when applicable. This requirement was not in the **old AR**.

--In the **new AR**, the Business Manager of each institution is responsible to indicate on the Stores Requisition if there is warranty coverage for the expenditure the NDOC is to incur. The Business Manager must also provide all information to file a reimbursement claim. This was not addressed in the **old AR**.

--In the **old AR**, Stores Requisitions could not be submitted for more than three months worth of goods/services. The **new AR** has changed this to say that Stores Requisitions can not be submitted for more than three months worth of goods/services unless approved by the Chief or Assistant Chief of Fiscal Services.

--The **old AR** required that if a Purchase Order was cancelled that the Business Manager be notified of the cancellation and the reason for the cancellation within 24 hours. The **new AR** has deleted this requirement.

--The **new AR** describes what a valid Receiver document must contain. It must contain a clear detail of all items received; a legible authorized receiving signature; and a date. The **old AR** did not indicate what a valid Receiver document should contain.

AR 211 – Regional Warehouses

--**Annual Review Only**. There were no changes to this AR. The old AR is dated 11/14/08.

--The below statement has been added to section 339.04.3 and to section 339.04.4:

AR 343 – Imposing Corrective/Disciplinary Action

--This is a NEW AR.

--The following Sections from **AR 339, Code of Ethics, Employee Conduct, Prohibition and Penalties** have been expanded and transferred to this AR:

---Section 343.05, Causes for Corrective/Disciplinary Action

---Section 343.06, Corrective Action

---Section 343.07, Letters of Reprimand

---Section 343.08, Specificity of Charges

AR 400 – General Security/Supervision Guidelines

--In the **old AR**, the Daily Administrative Officer Inspection Tours are described, but the term "Daily Administrative Officer Inspection Tours" is not used. In the **new AR**, this term is added to the description.

--The **old AR** required the Associate Wardens and other institutional Department Heads to visit housing and activity areas once a week. The **new AR** requires the Warden or Associate Warden to visit the housing areas every 48 hours during the standard work week; and the activity areas every 72 hours during the standard work week. The **new AR** also requires the Warden or Associate Wardens to inspect Prison Industries during each working day.

--The **old AR** required Correctional staff to inspect all cells and other living quarters once each shift. The **new AR** requires the Correctional staff to conduct a visual inspection of all cells and other living quarters once each shift.

--A sentence has been added to the **new AR** that directs Correctional Officers to conduct formal inspections/searches in accordance with AR 422, Search and Shakedown Procedures and the applicable Post Orders.

AR 401 – Post Orders

--The **new AR**, directs that post orders will be a compilation of operational procedures specific to the functions and tasks performed at a given post. It also directs that each post will have an operational procedure that governs the post. This was not in the **old AR**.

--The **new AR** lists the format for the Post Order manuals. The **old AR** did not list this info.

--The **new** AR allows the Post Orders to be maintained in a written and/or electronic format. The allowance for the electronic format was not in the **old** AR.

--The **new** AR lists two additional Operational Procedures that must be contained in Post Orders:

---It adds "Safety and Sanitation";

---It adds "ammunitions, and security equipment"

--The **new** AR attaches a copy of the DOC Form 1575, Post Orders Signature Sheet

AR 407 – Use of Handcuffs and Restraints

--The **new** AR makes the Warden responsible to do the following:

---Develop an OP which lists the restraints authorized at that institution.

---Ensure that the OP lists the conditions under which each restraint can be applied.

---Ensure that the OP identifies the authorization needed to use a particular restraint.

---Ensure that Custody Staff are trained to use restraints at that institution.

---Authorize Custody Staff to use selected restraints under the conditions in the OP.

--Regarding "types of restraints," the **new** AR has verbiage that addresses what Custody Staff should do when leg restraints cannot be applied because the inmate's legs are too large. It says that Custody Staff should contact the AW/designee.

--Under the section "**Degrees of restraint during movements within the institution,**" information has been added to the **new** AR regarding using restraints on pregnant inmates.

--Under the section "**Degree of restraint when transporting inmates outside of an Institution/Facility,**" information has been added to the **new** AR regarding using restraints on pregnant inmates.

AR 411 – Tool Control

--Title change. Previous title was "**Control of Tools, Equipment, and Hazardous Materials.**"

--This **new** AR tasks the Warden/Facility Manager to develop an OP for Tool Control.

--**This new AR requires that the institution/facility Op include definitions of the following:** Tool, Class "A" Tools; Class "B" Tools; Class "C" Tools; Shadow Board; and Tool Control Coordinator.

--**This new AR requires that the institution/facility OP include detailed procedures for the following:** Tool Request; Tool Add-on; Tool Turn-in; Lost Tools; Tool Inventory; Tool Quotas; Tool Check-in/Check-out; Tool Storage; Tool Identification; and Tool Audits.

--The **old** AR is dated 9/1/83, so many of the procedures had to be updated. The procedures that were updated include:

---The procedures which the Tool Control Coordinator takes when a new tool is received.

---The procedures that the supervisor takes when a new tool is needed.

---The procedures that the supervisor takes when a tool is unserviceable.

---The procedures taken when there is a lost tool.

---The procedure for tool inventories.

---The procedures for determining tool requirements/quantity.

---The procedures for tool check-in/check-out

---The procedures for tool storage.

---The procedures for tool identification.

---The procedures for tool classification.

---The procedures for tool audits.

--The **new** AR requires that no inmate will complete a tool inventory.

--The **new** AR allows inmates working in designated Silver State Industries to purchase their own tools with approval.

--The **new** AR allows trained inmates to use nail guns only with the Warden's/Facility Manager's approval.

--The **new** AR requires approval for the possession of scissors in all work areas.

AR 418 – Count Procedures

--This AR is the "basic" AR. It states that inmates will be counted frequently; and it defines the types of counts (Formal, Emergency, Informal/Random, Outcounts).

--The detailed procedures and duties regarding Count Procedures have been placed in a CONFIDENTIAL Manual.

AR 421 – Sexual Assault, Sexual Activity and Sexual Misconduct Prison Rape Elimination Act

--This is a "NEW" AR. It supersedes AR 155, **Sexual Crimes and Sexual Misconduct: Prevention, Reduction and Investigation.**

--This AR is a "basic" AR. There is a CONFIDENTIAL PREA Manual.

--This **new** AR lists the responsibilities of the PREA Coordinator; and the responsibilities of the Medical/Mental Health staff.

--This **new** AR requires inmates to report sexual activities.

--This **new** AR requires training be provided for all employees, volunteers, and contract staff.

--This **new** AR requires directs that all records associated with claims of sexual activity be kept confidential.

AR 458 – Crime Scene Preservation and Investigation

--Title change. Previous title was “**Crime Scene Procedures.**”

--This AR is the “basic” AR. It makes the IG responsible for the implementation of this AR, and it makes the individual who discovers a crime scene responsible to report it.

--The detailed procedures and duties regarding Crime Scene Preservation and Investigation Procedures have been placed in a CONFIDENTIAL Manual.

AR 490 – Institutional Sanitation and Inspection

--This AR requires that the weekly institutional inspections be documented and sent to the Compliance Enforcement Section.

--This AR outlines the primary role of the Compliance Enforcement Section in this area:

---Maintain inspection reports;

---Train staff to do the weekly sanitation inspections;

---Complete quarterly inspections of the institutions/facilities;

---Coordinate inspections by outside agencies;

---Ensure corrective action response is prepared for each finding.

--The **new** AR requires that the institution’s housekeeping plan be reviewed at least annually. The **old** AR did not require an annual review of the housekeeping plan.

--A Pest Control section was added to the **new** AR. This section requires pest control services be done at the institutions/facilities on a quarterly or as needed basis. It also requires that the chemicals must be applied by a licensed person.

AR 504 – Reception and Initial Classification Process

--The **new** AR makes the Administrator of OMD responsible to establish procedures for processing new and returning inmates.

--The **old** AR required the regulations to be “orally explained” during orientation if the inmate cannot read. The **new** AR requires that the regulations be “read” during orientation if the inmate cannot read.

--The **new** AR changes the women’s reception point to FMWCC (It was SNWCF in the **old** AR).

--The **new** AR requires inmates who have been out of custody to have laboratory/blood tests (including those inmates assigned to NNRC and CGTH). The **old** AR stated that no laboratory/blood tests were required for returning inmates who have not been out of custody.

--In the **new** AR, the term “Offender Management Administrator” has been changed to “Offender Management Division Administrator” in several places.

--The term “NCIS” has been changed to “NOTIS” in several places.

--In the **new** AR, under certain conditions, the highest ranking supervisor on duty has the authority to issue emergency approval for temporary housing of Safekeepers. In the **old** AR, the emergency approval authority was the AOD.

--In the **new** AR, “country of citizenship” is added to the list of records maintained on all offenders.

--Under the list of “Other pertinent information to be included in the inmates records,” the **new** AR adds “Security Threat Group documentation” and it deletes “Enemy and gang affiliation documentation” that was in the **old** AR.

--The **new** AR adds “**Any other appropriate staff as assigned by the Warden**” to the list of those assigned to the Initial Classification Committee (the other members are the Warden/designee; and the Reception Unit Caseworker).

AR 521 – Custody Categories and Criteria

--This AR was approved during the October Board of Prison Commissioners meeting.

--It is being re-submitted to correct a technical mistake. In section 521.04.3.E.d, the sentence currently reads: “No inmate with a computed custody of close should be assigned to a minimum or community trustee custody.” We have removed the reference to community trustee from this AR.

AR 601 – Medical Quality Management Program

--Title change. Previous title was “**Quality Management Program**”

--The **new AR** beefs up the RESPONSIBILITIES section by making the Medical Director responsible for developing a structured process to identify areas in the health care delivery system needing improvement and to implement strategies for improvement.

--In the **old AR**, there was a section that identified the duties of the "Health Care Professionals and Mid-level Practitioners, in conjunction with the Director of Nursing Services." In the **new AR**, similar duties have been assigned **just** to the "Director of Nursing Services." Below in **blue** are the duties listed in the previous AR that were assigned to the Health Care Professionals and Mid-level Practitioners, in conjunction with the DONS. The duties in **red** are the duties listed in this AR that are now assigned only to the DONS.

---Develop and implement a comprehensive Quality Improvement Plan which provides for systematic, ongoing, objective monitoring and evaluation of the quality of patient care.

---Appoint the institutional Quality Improvement Coordinator.

---Submit reports to the Quality Management Program Office and the Warden regarding quality improvement activities.

---Establish a Quality Management Committee for each region (north and south). The committee will be comprised of the Director's of Nursing Services from each institution in their respective regions.

---The Quality Management committee will meet monthly in conjunction with nursing leadership meetings.

---Review institutional Quality Improvement Committee activities at their respective institutions and make recommendations for future studies.

---Keep written minutes of the meetings.

--The **old AR** tasked the DONS and the Warden to establish the Quality Improvement Committee. The **new AR** tasks **just** the DONS to establish the Quality Improvement Committee.

--In the **old AR**, each medical discipline was required to select a representative to be on the Quality Improvement Committee and it specifically lists the minimal composition of the committee. The **new AR** says that each institution should select their own representatives. The only requirement is that the representatives shall be from disciplines that provide direct or indirect medical care to inmates.

--In the **new AR**, the "Quality Improvement Committee" must now develop and approve the annual Quality Improvement Plan. In the **old AR**, this committee was only required to approve the Quality Improvement Plan.

--In the **new AR**, the "Quality Improvement Committee" must now monitor the Quality Improvement Plan to ensure corrective action has been taken. In the **old AR**, this requirement was not included.

--Regarding the "Quality Improvement Plan," one item has been deleted from the original plan, and two items have been added:

---DELETED: Take action to recommend improvement in care;

---ADDED: Monitor to ensure corrective action has been taken;

---ADDED: Include a schedule of activities.

--In the **old AR**, there was a section that listed the number of required quality improvement evaluations per year by division (i.e. infirmary, MHU, Outpatient Mental Health, dental and pharmacy). This section has been deleted from the **new AR**.

--In the **old AR**, the committee minutes were kept in the office of the institution Quality Improvement Coordinator; and in the office of the Medical Division's Quality Improvement Specialist IV. In the **new AR**, the committee minutes are kept in the office of the institutional Quality Improvement Coordinator; and in the office of Medical Administration.

AR 613 – Access to Internal and External Health Care Services

--Title change. Previous title was "**Access to Treatment and Health Orientation**"

--In the **old AR**, there is a statement that says, "No inmate or staff member will inhibit or delay an inmate's access to medical services or interfere with medical treatment." This statement has been removed from the **new AR**.

--The **new AR** states "The Director of Nursing Services (DONS)/designee will have a written procedure outlining access to medical care, dental care, mental health services, and the processing of health related complaints." In the **old AR**, the "institution/facility" was responsible for having the above written procedures.

--The **new AR** gives the Medical Director or the Utilization Review Panel the authority to approve out-of-institution consultation, diagnostic testing, or treatment. The **old AR** authorized only the Utilization Review Panel to make these approvals.

--In the **old AR** there was a procedure to follow that allowed inmates to be examined and treated by private physicians. In the **new AR**, outside medical care, consultation or treatment is not allowed.

--In the **old AR**, there were instructions concerning the orientation of new inmates about how to access health care services. This instruction has been deleted from the **new AR**. Under the APPLICABILITY section, the **new AR** now requires each institution to develop an OP to address training the new inmates on access to health care.

--In the **old AR**, there were instructions concerning health care for inmates in segregation. This instruction has been deleted from the **new AR**.

AR 707 – Inmate Disciplinary Process

--In the **old AR**, inmates were required to be issued and sign for a copy of the inmate disciplinary manual. In the **new AR**, inmates are required to be issued and sign for a copy of the inmate disciplinary manual and AR 707, Inmate Disciplinary Process.

--References to "community trustee" status have been removed from the **new AR**.

--References to "AWO" have been changed to "AW" throughout the **new AR**.

--In the **new AR**, General Violation number G26 (**Smoking in an unauthorized area**) has been deleted.

--In the **new AR**, Major Violation number MJ 55 has been added. (**Possession, introduction, or sales of any tobacco product; or possession of materials/items suitable for such manufacture and/or use. (Class A)**)

--In the **new AR**, Major Violation number MJ20 (**Tattooing: tattooing oneself or another or possession of tattooing equipment (CLASS C)**) has been deleted.

--In the **new AR**, Major Violation number MJ56 has been added. (**Tattooing: tattooing and/or body piercing oneself or another; or possession of tattooing and/or body piercing equipment. (Class C)**)

--The wording of MJ49 has changed.

--**OLD AR**: Possession of any confidential prison regulation, procedure, or Post Order. Any prison regulation or procedure which is marked "Confidential" is considered Confidential. All Emergency Response Regulations and Post Orders are confidential. (Class A)

--**NEW AR**: Possession of any confidential prison regulation. Any prison regulation, which is not specifically delineated as accessible to inmates, is considered confidential. A prison regulation includes, but not limited to, Administrative Regulations, Institutional Procedures, Emergency Response Regulations, and Post Orders. (Class A)

AR 719 – Inmate Visitation

-- Title change. Previous title was "**Visitation**"

--The **new AR** has been divided into a basic AR and an **UNCLASSIFIED** Manual, index, and rules.

--The **new AR** provides basic information about the inmate visitation procedures and directs that detailed information (application process; dress code; code of conduct; identification requirements; special visits; and visiting room procedures) be included in the manual; and that general information be listed on the website.

AR 733 – Disciplinary Segregation

--The **old AR** is dated **3/25/94** so it is very old.

--The **old AR** states that periods of confinement for placement in disciplinary segregation are outlined in the Code of Penal Discipline. The **new AR** says disciplinary segregation may only be assessed through the inmate disciplinary process—AR 707.

--In the **old AR**, inmates were allowed contact visits, unless security dictated otherwise. In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation are allowed one non-contact visit with family per month.

--In the **old AR**, the number of personal phone calls allowed per week/month may be limited to those inmates in disciplinary segregation. In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation will be limited to one non-emergency phone call to family per week. The duration of this call will be no more than 30 minutes. Emergency phone calls may be authorized by the Warden/designee.

--In the **old AR**, inmates were permitted all of their personal property items, unless security of the unit dictated otherwise. In the **new AR**, inmates are not allowed access to any electronic items (i.e. television, radio, compact disk player, tape player, etc) for at least the first 60 days. After 60 days, they may submit a request for one appliance to the AW/designee. After another 60 days, they may submit a request for one more appliance. Any and all property is subject to confiscation for any rule violation.

--In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation are not eligible for any special package or clothing programs offered to the population. This issue was not addressed in the **old AR**.

--In the **old AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation had the same correspondence privileges as those inmates in general population. In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation will be given all first class mail and legal mail addressed to them.

--In the **new AR**, it states that "Inmate Law Library assistants will be classified to assist inmate's access to Law Library resources." This issue was not addressed in the **old AR**.

--In the **new AR**, the statement is added that "Showers should be provided at least three (3) times per week."

--In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation are allowed five (5) hours of outdoor exercise per week. In the **old AR**, the inmates were allowed ten (10) hours of outdoor exercise per week.

--In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation are allowed to purchase items from the canteen which are for hygiene maintenance; or correspondence related. In the **old AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation were allowed a decreased amount of canteen purchases and certain items may have been exempt from purchase due to security reasons.

--In the **new AR**, inmates in disciplinary segregation are allowed access to reading materials from the Law Library or religious texts. Recreational reading materials may be accessed, if available. The **old AR** did not address this issue.

AR 740 – Inmate Grievance Procedure

--In the **new AR**, some terms have been updated (i.e. NCIS to NOTIS; ADO to DD; AWO to AW, etc).

--In the **old AR**, the Deputy Director had the primary responsibility for supervising the inmate grievance system. In the **new AR**, the Director (through the Deputy Directors) is responsible to establish and supervise the inmate grievance system.

--In the **old AR**, the Warden/designee was responsible to ensure the Grievance Coordinator and assigned caseworkers provided appropriate and substantial responses to inmate claims. In the **new AR**, the Associate Warden is responsible to manage the grievance process at each institution/facility. The AW may designate an inmate Grievance Coordinator to conduct required functions.

--In the **old AR**, keys to the grievance boxes were only given to the Warden and the Grievance Coordinator. In the **new AR**, keys to the locked boxes are given to the Warden, AW and Grievance Coordinator.

--In the **new AR**, the Grievance Coordinator is authorized to go from cell-to-cell to pick up grievances in close/max units due to security and safety concerns, if necessary. This issue was not addressed in the **old AR**.

--In the **old AR**, the inmate was required to personally place their grievances in the locked box. This requirement has been deleted from the **new AR**.

--In the **old AR**, the caseworker was required to personally deliver the grievance response to the inmate unless they were named in the grievance. This requirement was deleted from the **new AR**.

--In the **old AR**, Grievance Coordinators collected the grievances from the lock boxes. In the **new AR**, the AW or the Grievance Coordinators are required to collect the grievances from the lock boxes.

--In the **old AR**, the Grievance Coordinator was required to record receipt of all grievances and all pertinent data within **one (1)** working day of receipt. In the **new AR**, the Grievance Coordinator should record receipts, transmittals, actions, and responses on all grievances to OITS/NOTIS within **three (3)** working days of receipt.

--The **new AR** states that the Grievance Coordinator should date stamp each page of the grievance the day it is entered into OITS/NOTIS. The **old AR** required that grievances be date stamped when received at all levels. It also required that each page of the multiple forms be stamped.

--In the **old AR**, any allegations of inmate abuse by Department staff, employees, agents or independent contractors, were required to be reported to the Grievance Coordinator, the Warden and the IG. In the **new AR**, these allegations are required to be reported to the AW, the Warden and the IG's Office.

--In the **new AR**, when an inmate files a grievance that alleges staff misconduct, the inmate must complete all three steps of the grievance process even if the claim is being investigated. This requirement was not in the **old AR**.

--Regarding an inmate's right to appeal a grievance decision, the **new AR** states that "**An inmate's election not to sign and date this form at any level shall constitute abandonment of the claim.**" The **old AR** did not make this statement.

- Regarding grievance appeals, the **old AR** stated that "Each response shall also state that the inmate is entitled to appeal, if procedurally available, and shall contain simple directions for making that appeal." The **new AR** does not require the above statement and directions to be in the response.
- Two items have been added to the list of actions that abuse the grievance procedure:
 - Filing 2 or more emergency grievances per month which are deemed not to be emergencies.
 - Grievances that contain two or more appropriate issues.
- In the **new AR**, a statement has been added to the section concerning what a caseworker should do if an inmate files a grievance that abuses the grievance procedure. The added statement says:
 - "**If the inmate grievance alleges a threat to the safety and/or security of the institution, the grievance will be entered regardless of the content.**"
- When it appears that the inmate has filed a grievance which abuses the grievance procedure, the Grievance Coordinator and the Warden take certain actions. In the **old AR**, all these actions were "**shall**" actions. In the **new AR**, these actions are all "**should**" actions.
- A level called "Informal Resolution" has been added to the **new AR**. This level states that inmates are expected to try to resolve grievable issues through discussion with their caseworker prior to initiating the grievance process when possible. It also states that the Informal Resolution can be accomplished in writing or in direct consultation with the appropriate staff. Informal Resolution was not addressed in the **old AR**.
- Regarding the Informal Grievance level of review, the **new AR** states that the caseworker with the aid of other Department staff should review the grievance except for:
 - Informal Grievances addressing property issues should be responded to by the Property Sergeant or equivalent.
 - High Risk Prisoner (HRP) status.
 - First Level by the Regional Deputy Director
 - Informal grievances that will be responded to by the Warden.
 - Second level by the Director
 - Informal grievances addressing medical/mental health/dental issues should be responded to by the charge nurse in the institution.
 - If the person who would normally respond to a grievance is the subject of the grievance, the CCS III/AW should respond to the Informal Grievance.
- Regarding the First Level Grievances, the **new AR** states that the grievance should be reviewed, investigated and responded to by the Warden at the institution where the incident being grieved occurred, even if the Warden is the subject of the grievance. The **new AR** also allows the below:
 - The Warden may utilize any staff in the development of a grievance response.
 - First Level medical/mental health/dental issues should be responded to by the highest level of Nursing Administration at the institution (DONs I or II)
 - First Level property issues should be responded to by the AW and reviewed by the Warden.
- Regarding the Second Level Grievances, the **new AR** specifies the type of grievances each of the below staff should respond to:
 - DDs for security, program, religious operations, and environmental issues.
 - The Deputy Director of Support Services for fiscal and telephone issues.
 - The OMA for classification and timekeeping issues.
 - The Medical Director for medical/mental health/dental issues including medical co-pays or charges.
- In the **new AR**, the time limit for a response to the informal grievance is **45** days from the date the grievance is received by the grievance coordinator to the date returned to the inmate. In the **old AR** the time limit was **25** calendar days.
- In the **new AR**, the time limit for a response to the First Level Review is **45** days from the date the grievance is received by the grievance coordinator to the date returned to the inmate. In the **old AR** the time limit was **25** calendar days.
- In the **new AR**, the time limit for a response to the Second Level Review is **60** days, not including transmittal time, from the date the grievance is received by the grievance coordinator to the date returned to the inmate. In the **old AR** the time limit was **25** calendar days.
- Regarding allegations of retaliation, the **old AR** required the caseworker to investigate the claim and confer with the Grievance Coordinator. The **old AR** also required the Grievance Coordinator to report the retaliation allegation to the Warden if it was deemed to have merit; and it required the Warden to report the retaliation allegation to the IG's office if it was deemed to have merit. The **new AR** does not specify that

the caseworker, Grievance Coordinator and Warden have to do any investigation or make any determinations as to whether an allegation of retaliation is valid or not.

--The **new** AR requires that "comprehensive responses" be made for the inmate grievances. The **old** AR only addressed this issue in regards to the responses made by the caseworker. The **old** AR required the caseworker to make "substantial and appropriate" responses; and get the Grievance Coordinator's approval that the response addressed the inmate's grievance.

--The **new** AR states that an overdue grievance response at any level is not an automatic finding for the inmate. It also states:

---The response must be completed, even if it is overdue.

---The inmate may proceed to the next grievance level, except at the Second Level, if a response is overdue.

---The overdue response does not count against the inmate's timeframe for an appeal if he awaits the response before initiating the appeal.

--In the **old** AR, there was a section titled "Orientation to the Inmate Grievance Procedure." This entire section has been removed from the **new** AR.

AR 815 – Inmate Marriages and Domestic Partnerships

--Title change. Previous title was "**Inmate Marriages.**"

--The **old** AR stated that if the inmate is unable to pay for additional expenses (such as special custody coverage) in advance, the marriage would still be allowed to proceed. The **new** AR deletes this statement.

--The **new** AR allows payment of additional expenses from a third party. The **old** AR did not address this issue.

--The **old** AR allowed the outside party to have one outside visitor who does/does not have to be an approved visitor. This statement has been changed in the new AR to read:

"The outside party may have one outside visitor who does not have to be an approved visitor with the approval of the Warden/designee."

--The **old** AR allowed children to be present if they were related to one of the parties. This statement has been changed in the **new** AR to read:

"If children are present, they must be related to one of the parties and verified in advance."

--The **new** AR allows a third party to pay expenses it incurs in facilitating a marriage between inmates. The **old** AR did not address third party payments of this type.

--In the **new** AR, a section has been added regarding "Domestic Partnerships." It says:

---Incarcerated inmates will not be allowed to enter into domestic partnerships.

---Persons who have domestic partnerships prior to incarceration will be managed in the same manner as persons who were married prior to incarceration.

---Domestic partners should not be housed at the same institution.