

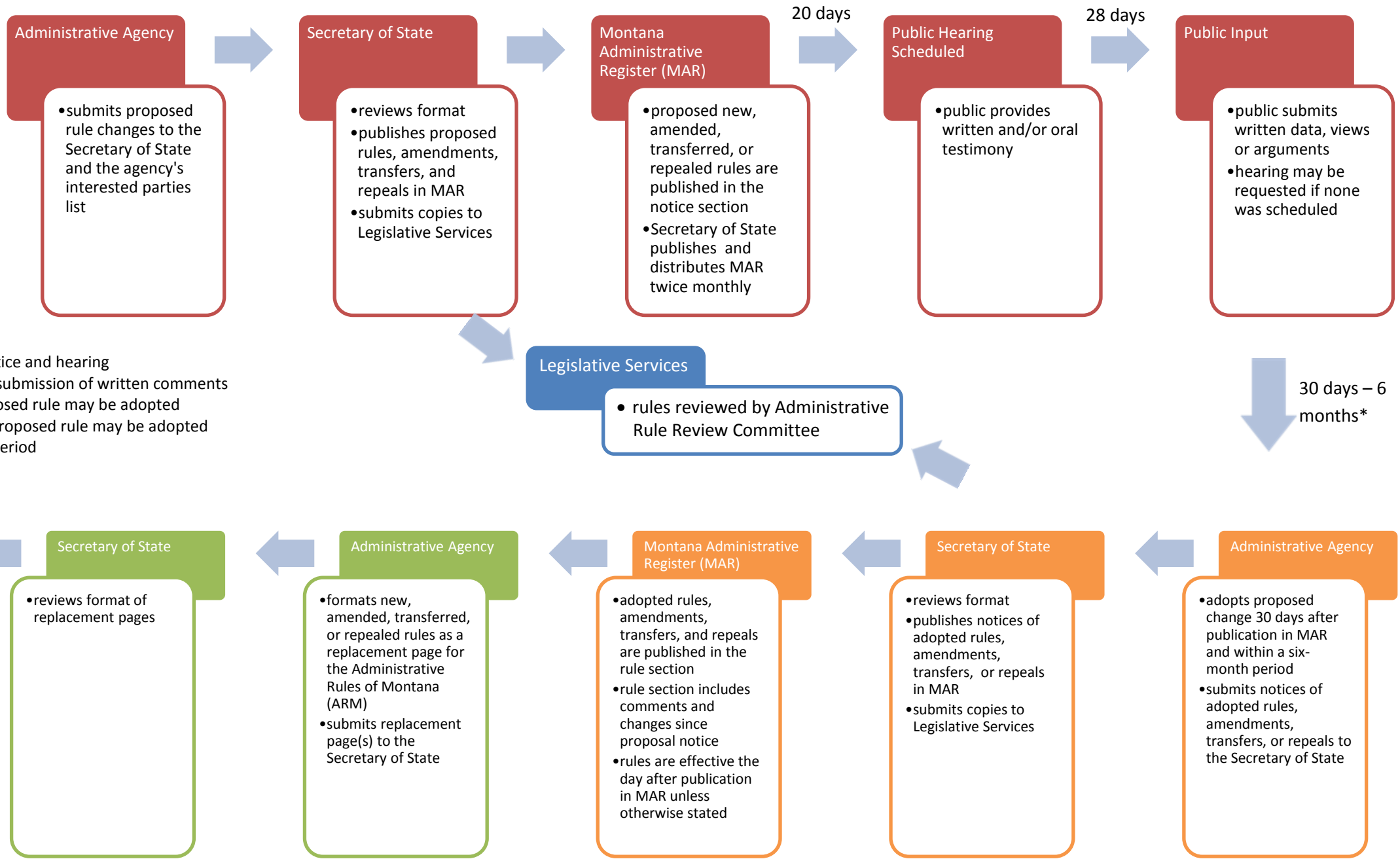
Adoption of an Administrative Rule

Three-Stage Process:

1. Proposals –
Notice Section of Montana
Administrative Register (MAR)

2. Adoptions –
Rule Section of Montana
Administrative Register (MAR)

3. Replacement Pages –
Administrative Rules of Montana
(ARM)



Timetable:
 20 days – minimum time between notice and hearing
 28 days – minimum time to allow for submission of written comments
 30 days – minimum time before proposed rule may be adopted
 6 months – maximum time in which proposed rule may be adopted
 120 days – emergency rule effective period

*an agency may adopt an emergency rule upon fewer than 30 days' notice, effective for a period not longer than 120 days