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#### **PBGC promising regulatory relief for plan sponsors**

The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. on Tuesday announced plans to ease the regulatory burden placed on sponsors of pension plans.

The first step will be soliciting feedback from plan sponsors and the public through several methods, including public hearings, online town hall meetings, social media and the agency's website.

PBGC spokesman Marc Hopkins said the agency plans to announce specific regulatory relief measures in September, but he declined to identify the regulations. "We want to get more feedback from plan sponsors to see what issues concern them most, and then adjust them," he said in an interview.

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#### **EBSA to Re-Propose Definition of Fiduciary Rule**

The U.S. Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) will re-propose its rule on the definition of a fiduciary. ---

The decision to re-propose is due in part to requests from the public, including from members of Congress, that the agency allow an opportunity for more input on the rule, EBSA said in a news release.

Specifically, the agency anticipates revising provisions of the rule including, but not restricted to: clarifying that fiduciary advice is limited to individualized advice directed to specific parties, responding to concerns about the application of the regulation to routine appraisals (see "Law Firm Supports Making ESOP Valuators Fiduciaries"), and clarifying the limits of the rule's application to arm's length commercial transactions, such as swap transactions.

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