

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 10. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. **What is the purpose of the proposed rule change?**
The rule outlining the minimum length of a school year must be updated to incorporate both scheduling options now available to school districts. Historically, the minimum length of the school year was one hundred eighty (180) days. House Bill 1864 (2009) added an option for school districts to adopt a total-hours rather than a total-days school calendar, with a minimum of one thousand eighty (1,080) hours per school year that school must be in session. The rule is being amended to include the 1,080 total-hours approach, and the October 15 deadline by which school districts must inform the State Board of Education they have adopted this option.
- b. **What classes of persons will be affected by the proposed rule change and what classes of persons will bear the costs of the proposed rule change?**
The proposed change will affect school districts, in that when districts consult the rule on the length of the school year it will reflect the current options rather than only the one scheduling approach that was formerly available.
- c. **What classes of persons will benefit from the proposed rule change?**
The proposed changes will benefit school districts.
- d. **What is the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions?**
The agency does not anticipate any economic impact upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions as a result of implementation of the proposed rule change at this time.
- e. **What is the probable cost to the agency to implement and enforce the proposed rule change?**
The agency does not anticipate any cost to the agency to implement and enforce as a result of the proposed change in the rule at this time. Additional record keeping, if any, will be performed by existing staff.
- f. **What is the economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rule change?**
The agency does not anticipate any economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rule change at this time.
- g. **Will implementing the rule change have an adverse effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act?**
The agency does not anticipate any adverse economic impact on small business as a result of the proposed rule change at this time.
- h. **Are there any other methods which are less costly, nonregulatory, or less intrusive to achieve the purpose of the proposed rule change?**
No.
- i. **Will the rule change impact the public health, safety, and environment, and is the change designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety, and**

environment? If so, explain nature of risk and to what extent the proposed rule change will reduce the risk.

The agency does not anticipate any impact on public health, safety, or environment as a result of implementation of the proposed rule at this time.

j. **What detrimental effect will there be on the public health, safety, and environment if the rule change is not implemented?**

The agency does not anticipate any detrimental effect on public health, safety, or environment as a result of failure to implement the proposed rule at this time.

k. **Date Prepared:** September 6, 2016