

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT 210:35-9-31

**TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
CHAPTER 35. STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION OF ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE
LEVEL, SECONDARY, AND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOOLS
SUBCHAPTER 9. ADDITIONAL STANDARDS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS
PART 7. STANDARD IV: CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, ASSESSMENT,
AND CLIMATE**

a. What is the purpose of the proposed rule change?

Under House Bill 3218 (2016), the State Board of Education is directed to "promulgate rules to ensure that students who transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out-of-state after the junior year of high school shall not be denied the opportunity to be awarded a standard diploma due to differing testing requirements" (70 O.S. § 1210.508(F)(4)). The proposed amendment adds a provision to the "Program of studies and graduation requirements" rule that authorizes a school district to waive Oklahoma School Testing Program (OSTP) graduation requirements for a student who transfers to the district after the junior year of high school, upon determining that the student was on track to meet assessment requirements in their previous state.

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 change will affect students who transfer to an Oklahoma school district after completing the junior year of high school, and the Oklahoma school districts that receive such students.

c. What classes of persons will benefit from the proposed rule change?

The change will benefit students who transfer to an Oklahoma school district after completing the junior year of high school, and have already completed the applicable assessment requirements for high school graduation in the state where they previously attended school.

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: December 14, 2017