

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT 210:35-29-8

Reports and records for attendance, enrollment, and transportation [AMENDED]

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

The rule that outlines general requirements for alternative education programs is being amended to incorporate guidelines for how an elementary school district (grades PreK-8) may request a waiver from the State Board of Education from the statutory requirement to implement an alternative education program. Elementary districts are authorized to request this waiver under 70 O.S. § 568(F). The new provision will establish an application deadline of May 15 prior to the school year the waiver is requested for, so that alternative education funds declined by an elementary district that does not implement a program may be distributed among districts that do provide alternative education services.

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 rule change will affect elementary school districts (grades PreK-8) that have received alternative education funds in the past, but wish to apply for a waiver of the requirement to implement an alternative education program.

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

The rule change will benefit alternative education programs and students statewide by enabling alternative education funds declined by elementary school districts that apply for the waiver to be distributed among districts with alternative education programs in place.

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 political subdivisions or affected classes 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?**

There is not an anticipated cost to the agency to implement the proposed change. 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:** October 30, 2018