

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT
TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
CHAPTER 10. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES
SUBCHAPTER 13. STUDENT ASSESSMENT

- a. **What is the purpose of the proposed rule change?**
The purpose of the proposed emergency rule is to meet the provisions of federal non-regulatory guidance and implement the requirements of House Bill 2497, which require the State Board of Education promulgate rules to outlining a process by which a public school district or charter school may request an exemption from one or more state-mandated assessments for a student who is unable to participate during the testing window due to a documented significant medical emergency. The proposed rule establishes criteria for determining what constitutes a significant medical emergency, and outlines the procedure for requesting such an exemption from the State Department of Education. The proposed rule also provides procedures through which a school district or charter school may appeal to the State Board of Education when an exemption request has been denied by the State Department of Education. Immediate implementation of the rule is necessary so that the rule will be in effect for all 2014-2015 testing administrations.
- 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 changes will affect public and charter school students, as well as public school districts and charter schools.
- c. **What classes of persons will benefit from the proposed rule change?**
The proposed changes affect will benefit public and charter school students, as well as public school districts and charter schools.
- 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 impact on public health, safety, or environment as a result of failure to implement the proposed rule at this time.
- k. **Date Prepared:** November 19, 2014