### **RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

#### TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# CHAPTER 15. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS SUBCHAPTER 3. PRIORITY ACADEMIC STUDENT SKILLS

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

The purpose of the proposed rule at 210:15-1-3 is to establish a procedure for adoption and publication of academic content and process standards by the State Department of Education and the State Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of 70 O.S. § 11-103.6a. Because the academic content and process standards have increased in volume, the Agency believes that discontinuing the use of the rulemaking process to promulgate academic content and process standards as rules in the Oklahoma Administrative Code and replacing the process with a new procedure for submission for Board approval will reduce administrative costs and will afford education stakeholders more opportunity to provide input prior to revisions of the academic content and process standards. The proposed rule provides for implementation of a volunteer advisory council to provide the State Department of Education with recommendations for revision of the academic content and process standards prior to drafting proposed standards. The proposed rule also provides for a process of review and public comment of draft proposed standards by the public prior to submission of the standards to the State Board of Education for approval.

The purpose of the proposed revocation of the standards promulgated at Subchapter 3 is to remove the approved academic content and process standards from the Oklahoma Administrative Code and republish all of the approved standards in accordance with the process established at 210:15-1-3.

 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 school students and their parents/legal guardians; public school teachers and administrators, and public schools and public school districts.

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

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 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

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. The agency anticipates implementation of the proposed rule changes will reduce administrative costs to the agency.

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 implementation of the proposed rule at this time.
- k. **Date Prepared**: February 22, 2013.