

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT 210:1-5-6

"Suspension and/or revocation of certificates" [AMENDED]

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

The proposed amendment to the administrative rule governing the suspension and revocation of teaching certificates explicitly recognizes violation of the Standards of Performance and Conduct for Teachers adopted pursuant to 70 O.S. § 6-101.21 as grounds for the revocation of a certificate. While the rule has historically included "willful violation of a rule or regulation of the State Board of Education" as grounds for revocation, and that provision will remain, the explicit inclusion of violating the Standards of Performance and Conduct as grounds for certificate revocation is intended to call attention to the importance of the Standards for certified educators. Violations of the Standards of Performance and Conduct have been cited in many teaching certificate revocation actions in recent years, often in combination with other violations of law or regulations.

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 individuals who hold teaching certificates and their employing school districts.

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

The rule change will benefit students and school communities by ensuring the Standards of Performance and Conduct for Teachers are clearly recognized as standards that may not be violated by certified educators.

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?**

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 4, 2020