

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT 210:15-27-1 through 210:15-27-4

Reading Sufficiency Act subchapter [AMENDED]

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

The rules addressing the Reading Sufficiency Act (RSA) are being updated to reflect changes to the RSA statutes and other relevant education laws. Updates include definitions and clarified terminology to reflect language changes in the school accountability system, and to eliminate outdated references. District reporting requirements and eligibility for RSA funds are also addressed in the amendment. Finally, adjustments are made to the guidelines for different levels of reading intervention for students identified as having reading skill deficits, to provide greater guidance and flexibility to schools.

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 school districts, charter schools, and students in pre-kindergarten through grade 3 and beyond who are identified as having reading skill deficits.

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

The rule change will benefit school districts, charter schools, and their elementary students, particularly students who need additional support in developing reading skills.

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:** January 9, 2020