

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

210:35-7-41. Staffing: pupil/professional staff ratio [AMENDED]

210:35-9-41. Staffing: pupil/professional staff ratio [AMENDED]

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

The two rules addressing teacher planning time requirements are being amended to clarify the minimum compensation a teacher is entitled to when they voluntarily forgo the planning time they are entitled to through a written agreement with their school district. The rules currently state that a "stipend" must be provided to a teacher who forgoes their planning time. A statement will be added to the rules explaining that the stipend provided to a teacher who forgoes their planning time must be proportionate to the amount of compensation the teacher would be entitled to on the minimum salary schedule for the amount of planning time forgone.

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 change will affect teachers who voluntarily forego planning time through written agreement, and their employing school districts.

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

The change will benefit teachers who voluntarily forego planning time through written agreement, and the school districts that employ them, by providing a common reference to ensure predictability in the compensation associated with foregone planning time.

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 detrimental effect on public health, safety, or environment as a result of failure to implement the proposed rule at this time.

k. Date Prepared: November 30, 2018