



Common Sense Initiative

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Business Impact Analysis

Agency, Board, or Commission Name: The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

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Regulation/Package Title (a general description of the rules' substantive content):

Residential Parenting Facility

Rule Number(s): 5101:2-9-25

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Public Comment Period End Date: 9/27/2023

Rule Type/Number of Rules:

New/___ rules

No Change/___ rules (FYR? __)

Amended/ 1 rules (FYR? Y)

Rescinded/___ rules (FYR? __)

The Common Sense Initiative is established in R.C. 107.61 to eliminate excessive and duplicative rules and regulations that stand in the way of job creation. Under the Common Sense Initiative, agencies must balance the critical objectives of regulations that have an adverse impact on business with the costs of compliance by the regulated parties. Agencies should promote transparency, responsiveness, predictability, and flexibility while developing regulations that are fair and easy to follow. Agencies should prioritize compliance over punishment, and to that end, should utilize plain language in the development of regulations.

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Reason for Submission

1. **R.C. 106.03 and 106.031 require agencies, when reviewing a rule, to determine whether the rule has an adverse impact on businesses as defined by R.C. 107.52. If the agency determines that it does, it must complete a business impact analysis and submit the rule for CSI review.**

Which adverse impact(s) to businesses has the agency determined the rule(s) create?

The rule(s):

- a. ☒ **Requires a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business.**
- b. ☒ **Imposes a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or creates a cause of action for failure to comply with its terms.**
- c. ☒ **Requires specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance.**
- d. ☐ **Is likely to directly reduce the revenue or increase the expenses of the lines of business to which it will apply or applies.**

Regulatory Intent

2. **Please briefly describe the draft regulation in plain language.**

Please include the key provisions of the regulation as well as any proposed amendments.

OAC 5101:2-9-25 entitled "Residential parenting facility and crisis care facility location and programmatic requirements" provides guidance to agencies on the requirements of a residential parenting facility. The rule has been amended adding new language allowing the agency to maintain current residents to the age of nineteen.

3. **Please list the Ohio statute(s) that authorize the agency, board or commission to adopt the rule(s) and the statute(s) that amplify that authority.**

OAC 5101:2-9-25 Statute: 5103.03, Rule Amplification: 5103.02, 5103.03

4. **Does the regulation implement a federal requirement? Is the proposed regulation being adopted or amended to enable the state to obtain or maintain approval to administer and enforce a federal law or to participate in a federal program?**

If yes, please briefly explain the source and substance of the federal requirement.

No, the rules are not written as a requirement of Federal Law and does not exceed any Federal requirements.

5. **If the regulation implements a federal requirement, but includes provisions not specifically required by the federal government, please explain the rationale for exceeding the federal requirement.**

The rules do not exceed federal requirements.

- 6. What is the public purpose for this regulation (i.e., why does the Agency feel that there needs to be any regulation in this area at all)?**

The rule sets up structure for the provision of permitted actions and services when children are in an out of home placement within a residential facility.

- 7. How will the Agency measure the success of this regulation in terms of outputs and/or outcomes?**

The implementation of the rule and subsequent outcomes are monitored through the certification process.

- 8. Are any of the proposed rules contained in this rule package being submitted pursuant to R.C. 101.352, 101.353, 106.032, 121.93, or 121.931?**

If yes, please specify the rule number(s), the specific R.C. section requiring this submission, and a detailed explanation.

No.

Development of the Regulation

- 9. Please list the stakeholders included by the Agency in the development or initial review of the draft regulation.**

If applicable, please include the date and medium by which the stakeholders were initially contacted.

The rule went through the public clearance on July 31, 2023, through August 14, 2023. There were no comments provided. ODJFS will proceed with the language provided by The Highlands residential program which initiated the rule amendment.

- 10. What input was provided by the stakeholders, and how did that input affect the draft regulation being proposed by the Agency?**

The Highlands residential program contacted ODJFS, Office of Families and Children (OFC) due to experiencing residents reaching the age of majority but yet had more needs for services. They requested rule change to allow expectant mothers and mothers of infants to remain until the age of nineteen. ODJFS understood this was fundamentally necessary for the wellbeing of the new parents and infants, therefore the rule is being amended to allow the extension of services.

- 11. What scientific data was used to develop the rule or the measurable outcomes of the rule? How does this data support the regulation being proposed?**

No scientific data was used to develop the rules.

- 12. What alternative regulations (or specific provisions within the regulation) did the Agency consider, and why did it determine that these alternatives were not appropriate? If none, why didn't the Agency consider regulatory alternatives?**

Alternative regulations may include performance-based regulations, which define the required outcome, but do not dictate the process the regulated stakeholders must use to comply.

No alternative regulations were considered for rule 5101:2-9-25 as the rule is driven by statute.

13. What measures did the Agency take to ensure that this regulation does not duplicate an existing Ohio regulation?

There is no duplication as the rules are specific to residential facilities and no other rule addresses these specific issues. The rule was reviewed by the legal staff and rule developers at ODJFS prior to the clearance process to ensure it did not duplicate any existing Ohio regulations.

14. Please describe the Agency's plan for implementation of the regulation, including any measures to ensure that the regulation is applied consistently and predictably for the regulated community.

Once the rule is final filed, a transmittal letter will be generated explaining the changes to the rule and the rationale for the changes. The transmittal letters can be viewed at <http://emanuals.jfs.ohio.gov/FamChild/FCASM/FCASMTL/>. ODJFS licensing specialists review the agencies to ensure the regulations are applied consistently and they offer technical assistance in areas of inconsistency.

Adverse Impact to Business

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule(s). Specifically, please do the following:

a. Identify the scope of the impacted business community, and

The impacted business community is two agencies in the state.

b. Quantify and identify the nature of all adverse impact (e.g., fees, fines, employer time for compliance, etc.).

The adverse impact can be quantified in terms of dollars, hours to comply, or other factors; and may be estimated for the entire regulated population or for a representative business. Please include the source for your information/estimated impact.

The impact will vary based on how many residents at any one time are being served with the total being five expecting or parenting mothers with a capacity of ten which includes their children.

This residential facility is a grant recipient through the Department of Health and Human Services that would cover the funding for these youth. The remaining cost could be as high as \$222 per day.

16. Are there any proposed changes to the rules that will reduce a regulatory burden imposed on the business community? Please identify. (*Reductions in regulatory burden may include streamlining reporting processes, simplifying rules to improve readability, eliminating requirements, reducing compliance time or fees, or other related factors*).

No, a reduction in a regulatory burden is not proposed but neither will this increase any regulatory burdens.

17. Why did the Agency determine that the regulatory intent justifies the adverse impact to the regulated business community?

To ensure the safety of children in substitute care, the adverse impact of the rule is necessary.

Regulatory Flexibility

18. Does the regulation provide any exemptions or alternative means of compliance for small businesses? Please explain.

There are no alternative means of compliance.

19. How will the agency apply Ohio Revised Code section 119.14 (waiver of fines and penalties for paperwork violations and first-time offenders) into implementation of the regulation?

Not Applicable.

20. What resources are available to assist small businesses with compliance of the regulation?

ODJFS has a regional office with a licensing specialist that will be assigned to assist the agency in the entire application process including assistance with the proper information required by this rule if the agency chooses to use a certification to meet Ohio requirements.