

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)**Department of Commerce**

Agency Name

Division of Securities

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Rule Number

AMENDMENT

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

Definitions.**RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **No**

2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **No**

3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**

4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **1707.20**

5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **1707.01**

6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

The purpose for the proposed amendment is to add the uniform definition of "branch office," which is incorporated in the new, uniform Form BR as part of the Division's required regulatory filings. The branch office definition and Form BR are nationwide initiatives spearheaded by the North American Securities Administrators Association ("NASAA"), the NASD, and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), to create uniformity as to what constitutes a branch office and to create a uniform mechanism for filing. The addition of the term "promptly" will require licensees to amend or update filings within 30 calendar days of knowing of facts and circumstances giving rise to an amendment or update. The addition of this term mirrors the NASD requirements imposed upon

dealers and their registered representatives.

7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

This proposed amendment would create a new, uniform definition of branch office, which is incorporated as part of the uniform Form BR. The addition of the term "promptly" will require licensees to amend or update filings within 30 calendar days of knowing of facts and circumstances giving rise to an amendment or update.

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

The USC and CFR as federal laws and rules are readily and generally available to the public in various mediums, including local public libraries, the Internet, college libraries, and the Library of Congress.

9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

N/A

10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

Not Applicable.

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so:

Not Applicable.

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: 11/15/2009

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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N/A

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

N/A

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

No cost to directly affected persons

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**