Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 5703-1-15

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Electronic software providers; approval and suspension.

Agency Name: Department of Taxation

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I. Rule Summary

- 1. Is this a five year rule review? Yes
 - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 8/10/2023
- 2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
- 3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119
- 4. What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 5703.05
- 5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 718.851, 5703.054, 5747.082, 5703.059
- 6. Does the rule implement a federal law or rule in a manner that is more stringent or burdensome than the federal law or regulation requires? No
 - A. If so, what is the citation to the federal law or rule? Not Applicable
- 7. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

This rule was reviewed as part of the five-year review process.

8. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

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This rule prescribes the application process to become an Ohio e-file provider. It also lists the reasons for which the tax commissioner can revoke or suspend a provider. The rule applies to all taxes that the commissioner administers. The rule is being amended to reduce regulatory restrictions and update verbiage.

- 9. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No
- 10. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.75, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.

Not Applicable

11. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

12. Please estimate the increase / decrease in the agency's revenues or expenditures in the current biennium due to this rule.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

0.00

Not Applicable.

13. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?

Not Applicable.

- 14. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No
- 15. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No
- 16. If the rule imposes a regulation fee, explain how the fee directly relates to your agency's cost in regulating the individual or business.

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Not Applicable.

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

- 17. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? Yes
- 18. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes
 - A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? No
 - B. Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No
 - C. Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? Yes

The rule requires the filing of an electronic report as a condition of compliance.

D. Is it likely that the rule will directly reduce the revenue or increase the expenses of the lines of business of which it will apply or applies? No

IV. <u>Regulatory Restriction Requirements under S.B. 9. Note: This section only applies to agencies described in R.C. 121.95(A).</u>

- 19. Are you adding a new or removing an existing regulatory restriction as defined in R.C. 121.95? Yes
 - A. How many new regulatory restrictions do you propose adding to this rule? 0
 - B. How many existing regulatory restrictions do you propose removing from this rule? 4

5703-1-15(B)(1) Pursuant to the authority in, and in fulfillment of the duties established under, sections 718.851, 5703.05, 5703.054, 5703.059 and 5747.082 of the Revised Code, the commissioner shall annually publish the following for becoming an authorized provider for the Ohio electronic filing programs (replaces "shall" with will")

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5703-1-15(B)(1)(b) Approval guidelines, which shall include the items listed in paragraph (C) of this rule (removes "shall" by replacing "which shall include" to "including")

5703-1-15(B)(2)(c) Passes all required Ohio electronic filing program software tests. (removes "required")

5703-1-15(C)(2)The provider fails to maintain compliance with the requirements of this rule, or the published approval guidelines and software tests. (removes "requirements" by deleting the entire phrase "the requirements of")

- C. If you are not removing existing regulatory restrictions from this rule, please list the rule number(s) from which you are removing restrictions.
- D. Please justify the adoption of the new regulatory restriction(s).

Not Applicable