



Common Sense Initiative

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Emily Blair, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

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DATE: April 24, 2019

RE: **CSI Review – CSI Review – Purpose and Procedures (OAC 3304-1-01, 3304-1-08, 3304-1-11, and 3304-1-13)**

On behalf of Lt. Governor Jon Husted, and pursuant to the authority granted to the Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Office under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) section 107.54, the CSI Office has reviewed the abovementioned administrative rule package and associated Business Impact Analysis (BIA). This memo represents the CSI Office's comments to the Agency as provided for in ORC 107.54.

Analysis

This rule package consists of four amended rules submitted by Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (Agency) as part of the statutorily required five-year review. It was submitted to the CSI Office on March 7, 2019 and the comment period closed on April 7, 2019. One comment was received during this time, and the response was provided on April 10, 2019.

The rules in this package describe the purpose of the Agency and its bureaus and divisions; the methods the Agency utilizes to distribute notice of public hearings; the deadline for submitting a bill to the Agency for repayment; and accessibility to meetings, conferences, seminars, and Agency offices. The rules are being amended to remove outdated information, reflect the Agency's name change, and correct grammatical errors.

During early stakeholder outreach, the Agency sent the rules to its stakeholder list. Over 2,000 vendors and interested parties received notice of the rule package. It received feedback from stakeholders about notifications for public hearings and clearly outlining that process in rule. The Agency added additional sections to the rules detailing notification for providers and other

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interested individuals. It also noted that the ability to opt-in for notifications is publicly available on its website. One question was received during the CSI comment period asking when the amendments would take effect. The Agency responded with a status update on the rulemaking process regarding this rule package.

The rules impact the Agency, and vendors who require repayment. The rules are informational in nature and serve to regulate the Agency while also informing the public. The rules impacting vendors require them to submit their requests for repayment in a timely manner. The Agency states that the amendments are necessary provide increased clarity for anyone referencing the rules.

Recommendations

Based on the information above, the CSI Office has no recommendations on this rule package.

Conclusion

The CSI Office concludes that the Board should proceed in filing the proposed rules with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review.