

Attachment A
RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

TITLE 75. ATTORNEY GENERAL

CHAPTER 35. OKLAHOMA WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM

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(a) Purpose of Proposed Rules: The Attorney General is required to adopt and promulgate rules for the management of the Address Confidentiality Program. These rules set forth the requirements which are necessary to meet the responsibilities of oversight, management, evaluation, improvement and participation in the program. Amendments are necessary to amend language that is obsolete or inaccurate due to the transfer of the administration of the Secretary of State to the Office of the Attorney General. Amendments are also necessary due to updated forms and changes to administrative process.

(b) Classes Affected: All victims of actual or threatened domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking who apply for Participation in the Address Confidentiality Program will be affected. Oklahoma Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking Victim Advocates employed by federally-recognized tribes will also be affected.

(c) Persons Benefitted: All victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking applying or participating in the Address Confidentiality Program in the State of Oklahoma will be affected.

(d) Probable Economic Impact

1. On Affected Classes: These rules will have no economic impact on affected classes.

2. On Political Subdivisions: These rules will not have an economic impact on political subdivisions.

3. Description of fees and explanation/justification for each of the changes: n/a

(e) Probable costs to the Agency: All expenses related to the Address Confidentiality Program come from appropriations to the Office of Attorney General.

(f) Impact on Political Subdivisions: No cooperation from political subdivisions will be necessary to implement the Program.

(g) Adverse Impact on Small Business: These rules will have no adverse impact on small business.

(h) Compliance Costs and Other Less Intrusive Methods: These methods are the least intrusive methods currently available since the transfer to the Office of Attorney General on July 1, 2008.

(i) Effect on Public Health, Safety and Environment: These rules do not necessarily have an effect on public health, safety and environment. Positive effects are expected due

to the fact that the Address Confidentiality Program contributes to the safety and well-being of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

(j) Effect of non-implementation on Public Health, Safety and Environment: Non-implementation of these rules will not necessarily affect public health, safety and the environment; however, the rules enhance safety to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

(k) Date of Rule Impact Statement: February 15, 2018

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