

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

TITLE 75. ATTORNEY GENERAL

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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 update definitions of terms used within the chapter and clarify participant criteria and program cancellation procedures.

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

(c) Persons Benefitted: All victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, human sex trafficking and stalking applying or participating in the Address Confidentiality Program and agencies and organizations that assist victims in the application process 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. No additional costs will ensue as a result of the amendments.

(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, stalking and human sex trafficking.

(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, human sex trafficking and stalking.

(k) Date of Rule Impact Statement: February 16, 2021

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