

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Title 210

Chapter 30
Subchapter 5-1

- a. **What is the purpose of the proposed rule change?**
The purpose of the amendment is to bring into compliance SDE rules relating to bus driver certification with federal law, namely the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), 42 U.S.C. 12101, *et seq.* The rule establishes a process by which insulin dependent individuals may be employed as bus drivers and sets forth eligibility requirements and monitoring requirements for both the individual and the employing school district.
- b. **What classes of persons will be affected by the proposed rule change and what classes of persons will bear the costs of the proposed rule change?**
School districts will have the ability to hire insulin dependent diabetics, and such individuals will have the opportunity to become bus drivers. There is no additional cost associated with this rule change.
- c. **What classes of persons will benefit from the proposed rule change?**
Insulin dependent individuals with diabetes will benefit from this rule change.
- d. **What is the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions?**
Not applicable.
- e. **What is the probable cost to the agency to implement and enforce the proposed rule change?**
Not applicable.
- f. **What is the economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rule change?**
Not applicable. The minimal required additional record keeping will be performed by existing staff.
- g. **Will implementing the rule change have an adverse effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act?**
Not applicable.
- h. **Are there any other methods which are less costly, nonregulatory, or less intrusive to achieve the purpose of the proposed rule change?**
No. (Not applicable.)
- i. **Will the rule change impact the public health, safety, and environment, and is the change designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety, and environment? If so, explain nature of risk and to what extent the proposed rule change will reduce the risk.**

The rule changes impacts public safety insofar as it establishes necessary standards and procedures which allow insulin dependent individuals to serve in the capacity of bus drivers. These rules ensure the protection of public safety by establishing procedures and monitoring standards that protect the public at large and school children from being adversely affected by unqualified drivers.

j. **What detrimental effect will there be on the public health, safety, and environment if the rule change is not implemented?**

Not applicable.

k. The Rule Impact Statement was originally prepared *****DATE GOES HERE*****.

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