



Economic Development Corp.

Re: LSA Document # 25-798 /Regulatory Analysis-Small Business Economic Impact Statement

Elizabeth Walker
Deputy General Counsel & Director of Operations
Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

Dear Ms. Walker,

Pursuant to Indiana Code 4-22-2.1-5(c)(2), as the Small Business Ombudsman for the state of Indiana, I have reviewed the proposed rule and economic impact analysis associated with the rule changes contained in LSA Document # 25-798 submitted to the Indiana Small Business Ombudsman by the Indiana Board of Pharmacy. I have found the following to be true.

Proposed rule LSA #25-798 amends 856 IAC 1-43 by changing how to govern pharmacists prescribing and dispensing hormonal contraceptive. This includes expanding the scope of the rule and changes to some definitions to conform with Indiana law. Other specific changes to the IAC include adding record keeping requirements and counseling requirements for the prescription of a hormonal contraceptive to an eligible individual and that individual's primary healthcare provider.

The Indiana Board of Pharmacy provided analysis displays a proper due diligence and understanding of how implementation must be carried out to ensure compliance while minimizing the potential impact to small businesses and individuals. Based upon this statement and review, the Indiana Small Business Ombudsman is neutral on the proposed rule related to the economic impact on small business if the conclusion reflects the actual result after promulgation. If there are any questions about these comments, please contact me at ombudsman@iedc.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Caleb Wakeman

Small Business Ombudsman

Indiana Economic Development Corporation