



Economic Development Corp.

Via Email

Toby Snell

Board Director

Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

402 W. Washington Street, Room W072

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: LSA Document # 23-329/Regulatory Analysis-Small Business Economic Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Snell,

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 # 25-329 submitted to the Indiana Small Business Ombudsman by the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. I have found the following to be true.

Proposed rule LSA #23-329 amends 844 Indiana Administrative Code (IAC) 10-2-2 through 844 IAC 10-7-4. The proposed rule provides a framework for supervising occupational therapist assistants and aids. Additionally, the proposed rule clarifies continuing education requirements, including requiring holders of expired licenses to complete a minimum amount of continuing education prior to being reinstated. This rule will also provide the fee needed for the compact privilege.

The Indiana Professional Licensing Agency understands 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