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July 17, 2013

Paula Steele
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Dear Ms. Steele,

Thank you for your review of the business impact analysis for the drafted rules pertaining to online driver education under Chapter 4501-7 of the OAC. The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Office of Criminal Justice Service (OCJS), has received and read your review, recommendations, and conclusions. Paragraph (A)(1) of Chapter 4501-7-09 has been revised as recommended for consistency between terms of “driver education” and “driver training.”

On July 22, 2013 OCJS intends to formally file these rules and all required materials with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review and the Legislative Service Commission. OCJS plans to conduct a public hearing pursuant to R.C. 119.03 on August 26, 2013 at 10 am in the Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43223. OCJS anticipates final-filing the rule with an effective date of October 7, 2013.

Additionally, OCJS will host a public forum to discuss the changes and requirements for online driver education for all current and prospective stakeholders. The public forum will be held on October 7, 2013, at 10 am in the Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43223.

Sincerely,

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May 30, 2013

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Dear Ms. Steele,

On Friday, May 31, 2013, the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), intends to file additional changes to the online driver education rules under Chapter 4501-7 of the Administrative Code.

There will be a total of seven (7) rules to be filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office. The newly proposed changes include the following:

4501-7-01(PP)(10) adds the "Online Driver Education security Assessment" incorporated by reference in rules 4501-7-04 and 4501-7-09;
4501-7-04(G)(1) increases the fee for an online school license to $850, which includes the application fee of $250 and a fee of $600 for the review of the "Online Driver Education Security Assessment" and review of the proposed online driver education program as required to be submitted in paragraph (G)(5) and (G)(6);
The content of rules 4501-7-10 and 4501-7-11 was reorganized and redistributed for clarity, which created two new rules;
New rule 4501-7-09 provides classroom, curriculum and final examination requirements for all driver education courses for the class 'D" licensed schools, beginning drivers, and online providers;
4501-7-10 provides the requirement for behind-the-wheel training;
New rule 4501-7-11 establishes the requirements for the issuance of certificates of enrollment and completion;
4501-7-13 provides the requirements for recordkeeping;
4501-7-20(B) provides for the Department's access of out-of-state providers' records.

The requirement for the "Online Driver Education Security Assessment" may include an adverse impact upon the online providers to complete. The adverse impact includes costs between $200 and $2000. The costs depend upon the design and complexity of the security controls and whether the online provider has the staff available to complete the assessment or whether the online provider has contracted with a third-party company. Online providers who offer online programs in other states already have the security controls in place and the cost is negligible. These costs of compliance were provided by the online driver education committee members.

These rules will be published to the OCJS small business regulatory website at http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/ocjs_rules.stm. We will be allowing a comment period of one (1) week for stakeholders to provide feedback on the changes.

If you have any comments, suggestion or questions please contact the Driver Training Program Office at (614)466-3524.

Sincerely,

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Ohio Department of Public Safety

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March 25, 2013

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Dear Ms. Steele,

Thank you for your review of the business impact analysis of the draft rules pertaining to online driver education under Chapter 4501-7 of the OAC. The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), intends to file additional changes to the final examination procedure for students taking training through an online driver education program.

The final examination will be proctored through the online driver education program provider. Rules pertaining to security and providing the final examination have been drafted to include this change. This specific change will provide for an additional expenditure upon the rehabilitation clinics to supply the certificates of completion. The cost of such is $4 a certificate. Based upon research and inspections, these facilities provide the disability training to students, less than eighteen years of age, approximately once a year. Therefore, the adverse impact is minimal.

If you have any comments, suggestions or questions please contact the Driver Training Program Office.

Sincerely,

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March 7, 2013

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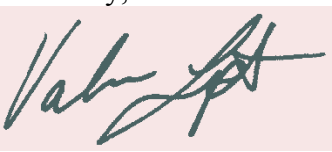
Dear Ms. Steele,

Thank you for your review of the business impact analysis for the draft rules pertaining to online driver education under Chapter 4501-7 of the OAC. The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), has received and read your review, recommendations, and conclusions. The rules will be revised as recommended to define the terms "driver education" and "driver training."

On Monday, March 25, 2013, OCJS intends to formally file these rules and all required materials with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review and the Legislative Service Commission. OCJS plans to conduct a public hearing pursuant to R.C. 119.03 on Tuesday, April 30, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus Ohio, 43223. OCJS anticipates final-filing the rule with an effective date of June 10, 2013.

Sincerely,



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