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**TITLE 305 INDIANA BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS**

**Notice of Public Comment Period for Rule Readoption**  
LSA Document #23-616

Readopts rules in anticipation of [IC 4-22-2.6](#), providing that an administrative rule adopted under [IC 4-22-2](#) expires January 1 of the fifth year after the year in which the rule takes effect unless the rule contains an earlier expiration date. Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** [IC 25-17.6-3-12](#)

**OVERVIEW**

Rules to be readopted without changes are as follows:

- [305 IAC 1-1](#) Administration and Review
- [305 IAC 1-2](#) Definitions
- [305 IAC 1-3](#) Issuance, Renewal, and Denial of Geologist Licensures
- [305 IAC 1-4](#) Special Provisions
- [305 IAC 1-5](#) Code of Ethics

Rules to be repealed without changes are as follows:

None

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS UNDER [IC 4-22-2.6-4](#)**

The board is required as per [IC 25-17.6-3-12](#) to create rules for the licensing of professional geologists. The last cost benefit, economic impact, and fiscal impact were conducted in 2019 that resulted in an increase in application and renewal fees so that the board would remain solvent. No changes have taken place since then. The licensing board has received no complaints in the last 10 years. The licensing of professional geologists is managed by the Indiana Geological and Water Survey. The survey has successfully and efficiently administered this program since required by statute in June 1980. Licensed professional geologists are independently licensed and therefore have no impact on state agencies and businesses.

**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time, the Indiana Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists solicits the following:

- (1) The submission of alternative ways to achieve the purpose of the rule.
- (2) The submission of suggestions for the development of draft rule language.

Comments may be submitted in one of the following ways:

- (1) By mail or common carrier to the following address:

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- (2) By electronic mail to [inblpg@indiana.edu](mailto:inblpg@indiana.edu). To confirm timely delivery of submitted comments, please request a document receipt when sending the electronic mail. **PLEASE NOTE: Electronic mail comments will NOT be considered part of the official written comment period unless they are sent to the address indicated in this notice.**

**COMMENT PERIOD DEADLINE**

All comments must be postmarked or time stamped not later than September 22, 2023.

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