



VIA EMAIL

October 21, 2022

Toby Snell
Board Director
Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Indiana Respiratory Care Committee
402 W. Washington St., Rm. W072
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: LSA Document #22-326/Economic Impact Statement

Dear Ms. Snell,

Pursuant to Indiana Code 4-22, as the Small Business Ombudsman, I have reviewed the economic impact analysis for small businesses associated with the rule changes contained in LSA Document #22-326 proposed by the Professional Licensing Agency (PLA).

Based on my assessment as the Small Business Ombudsman I have concluded that, due to the fact that the proposed rule change simply contains: a change of address for contacting the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, changes for the responsible Indiana agency from the Health Professions Bureau to the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, and removes the definition of "Physician" from 844 IAC 11-1-5 as this definition is already found within state statute and removes duplicative language, PLA has adapted the rule to meet the least stringent standards possible relating to definitions related to respiratory care practitioners. Additionally, as PLA noted in the provided economic impact analysis, with no added industry wide costs the total economic impact is below the established industry wide threshold to be considered burdensome.

Based upon this statement and review, the Small Business Ombudsman supports the proposed rule related to the economic impact to small business if the PLA conclusion reflects the actual result after promulgation. If you have any questions about these comments, please contact me at majaworowski@iedc.in.gov.

Sincerely,

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