



Economic Development Corp.

Re: LSA Document # 25-25-370/Regulatory Analysis-Small Business Economic Impact Statement

William H. Ottensmeyer

Staff Attorney
Office of Legal Affairs
Indiana Department of Education

Dear William,

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 # 25-370 submitted to the Indiana Small Business Ombudsman by the Indiana Department of Education. I have found the following to be true.

Proposed rule LSA #25-370 amends 511 IAC 6.2-12 by adding new definitions to support the changes in the performance ratings criteria. The new rules also adjusts some transition language for diplomas until the complete change occurs in 2029 away from Core 40. Other changes include allowing students to take biology in the 12th grade, the inclusion of new indicators to help students succeed in high school, and a review process for schools to appeal their grade from the state's formula.

The Indiana Department of Education 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