

INITIAL RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

TITLE 310. OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CHAPTER 320. PUBLIC BATHING PLACE OPERATIONS [REVOKED]

1. **DESCRIPTION:**

Chapter 320 is being revoked to consolidate all provisions pool and spa regulation into one, centralized location. The new pool and spa chapter of rule will align with 63 O.S. § 1-1022, new statute effective 11-1-24, prompted by HB4035 of the 2024 legislative session.

2. **DESCRIPTION OF PERSONS AFFECTED AND COST IMPACT RESPONSE:**

Persons affected are permit applicants for the construction and operation of a public bathing place facility. The rule amendments do not create or increase any fees or other costs associated with obtaining a permit.

3. **DESCRIPTION OF PERSONS BENEFITING, VALUE OF BENEFIT AND EXPECTED HEALTH OUTCOMES:**

Persons who use public bathing facilities should benefit from the consolidation of the regulations. The proposed changes will provide ease of access to the comprehensive regulatory scheme for public bathing facilities.

4. **ECONOMIC IMPACT, COST OF COMPLIANCE AND FEE CHANGES:**

There are no fee increases or changes to the cost of compliance. The Department does not expect any economic impact to the public, to the persons seeking a permit for a public pool or for the Department.

5. **COST AND BENEFITS OF IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT TO THE AGENCY.**

There are no costs associated with implementation.

6. **IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:**

There are no anticipated impacts on political subdivisions and it will not require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the proposed amendment.

7. **ADVERSE EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESS:**

There are no anticipated adverse economic effect on small business.

8. **EFFORTS TO MINIMIZE COSTS OF RULE:**

There are no less costly means currently identified.

9. **EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

The Department believes that over time the consolidation of the rules will benefit public health and safety.

10. DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY WITHOUT ADOPTION:

Lack of adoption of this rule will lead to confusion due to a conflict between rule and statute.

11. PREPARATION AND MODIFICATION DATES:

This rule impact statement was prepared on August 7, 2024.