

**Rule Impact Statement**  
**Title 610. State Regents for Higher Education**  
**Chapter 1. Administrative Operations**  
**Emergency Rules under OKLA. ADMIN. CODE**

*This Rule Impact Statement has been prepared pursuant to 75 O.S.Supp.2025, § 253(B).*

**I. Statement of need and legal basis**

These proposed emergency rules are necessary to comply with the repeal of 70 O.S. §§ 3205.5 and 3205.6 made by House Bill 2903. This bill became effective on July 1, 2025.

**II. Classification of the rule(s) and justification for classification.**

Nonmajor rules. Annual implementation and compliance costs are not expected to be incurred or passed along because of promulgation of the proposed rules. Compliance costs will not exceed \$1,000,000 over the initial five-year period following promulgation of the proposed rules.

**III. Description of the proposed rule(s).**

The Student Advisory Board (SAB) was established under the authority of House Bill 1801 (1988 Oklahoma Legislature) and codified as 70 O.S. §§ 3205.5 and 3205.6 to serve as a formal advisory body representing students from across Oklahoma's higher education system.

Provisions of 70 O.S. § 3205.5 required SAB members to be determined annually by a vote of delegates to the Oklahoma Student Government Association (SGA) annual meeting; however, over the years the SGA has changed to the extent that determination of SAB membership in this manner is no longer functional. Due to this and other considerations, House Bill 2903 was introduced in 2025 to repeal 70 O.S. §§ 3205.5 and 3205.6. This allows for SAB to be replaced with a more flexible, non-statutory foundation for Oklahoma's higher education student advisory function. House Bill 2903 passed and became effective July 1, 2025.

The proposed rules revoke the administrative rules governing the Student Advisory Board. This will align State Regents' administrative rules with the repeal of 70 O.S. §§ 3205.5 and 3205.6 to eliminate outdated regulatory language and make way for the development of a more streamlined, flexible, and effective means of student representation to the State Regents.

Federal Law

The rules are not mandated by federal law or a requirement for participation in, or implementation of, a federally subsidized or assisted program.

**IV. Description of the classes of persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule(s), including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule(s), and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities.**

The proposed rule changes will affect the OSRHE, the institutions comprising the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education and students. These rule changes are not anticipated to create additional costs for affected classes. No information on cost impacts has been received from any private or public entities.

**V. Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule(s).**

The proposed rule changes will benefit OSRHE, the institutions comprising the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education and students.

**VI. Comprehensive analysis of the rules' economic impact.**

The proposed rules should have a neutral economic impact and do not involve fee changes.

**VII. Detailed explanation of methodology and assumptions used to determine the economic impact.**

Instead of SAB, the State Regents will establish the Oklahoma Student Advisory Council (OSAC) as the primary channel for students to provide their perspectives and recommendations to the State Regents. OSAC will be a more streamlined, flexible, and effective means of student representation to the State Regents. Because SAB is being replaced by OSAC, there is not expected to be a change in economic impact.

**VIII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule(s).**

A "political subdivision" is defined as "a county, city, incorporated town or school district within this state" under the Administrative Procedures Act. 75 O.S. § 250.3. The proposed rules are not expected to have an economic impact on any political subdivisions and will not require their cooperation for implementing or enforcing these rules.

**IX. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.**

After consideration with reference to Section 303(A)(4) and 303(B)(6) of Title 75, it is believed that the proposed rules will have no adverse impact upon Small Business.

**X. Measures taken to minimize the cost and impact of the proposed rule on business and economic development in this state, local government units of this state, and individuals.**

The proposed rules are not anticipated to have an adverse cost or impact upon business and economic development in this state, local government units of this state, and individuals. Therefore, no such measures were taken.

**XI. Determination of the effect of the proposed rule(s) on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule(s) is/are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk.**

The proposed rules will have no effect on the public health, safety, and environment.

**XII. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule(s) is/are not implemented.**

No effect on the public health, safety, or the environment will result if the proposed rules are not implemented.

**XIII. Date the rule impact statement was prepared and if modified, the date modified.**

Prepared by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education on September 4, 2025.