TITLE 810. OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION CHAPTER 25. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE AND SELF INSURANCE

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking **PROPOSED RULES:** Subchapter 1. General Provisions 810:25-1-2 [AMENDED] Subchapter 3. Proof of Coverage 810:25-3-1 [AMENDED] Subchapter 5. Documentation of Exempt Status 810:25-5-1 [AMENDED] Subchapter 7. Enforcement of Workers' Compensation Insurance Requirements 810:25-7-2 [AMENDED] Subchapter 9. Individual Own Risk Employer Permit 810:25-9-1 [AMENDED] 810:25-9-10 [AMENDED] 810:25-9-11 [AMENDED] 810:25-9-14 [AMENDED] 810:25-9-17 [AMENDED] 810:25-9-18 [AMENDED] Subchapter 11. Group Self-Insurance Association Permit 810:25-11-1 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-2 [AMENDED] RECEIVED 810:25-11-3 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-8 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-10 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-12 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-16 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-17 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-19 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-21 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-22 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-23 [AMENDED] 810:25-11-25 [NEW] Subchapter 13. Third-Party Administrator Permit for Workers' Compensation Purposes 810:25-13-1 [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The proposed amendments to Subchapters 1 through 7 modify definitions and provisions related to certificates of noncoverage issued under 85A O.S. § 36 and clarify the provisions imposing penalties for failure to comply with the compensation coverage requirements found in 85A O.S. § 38. The proposed revisions to Subchapters 9 and 11 modify the requirements for individual and group self insurance. The proposed revisions to Subchapter 13 change the name of the Commission's Insurance Division to the "Permitting Services Division." The proposed amendments also include nonsubstantive changes to correct unclear language and formatting errors.

AUTHORITY:

Workers' Compensation Commission; 85A O.S. §§ 19, 36, 38, 40.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons may submit written comments through February 15, 2018, to Lindsey Christopher at 1915 N. Stiles, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or by email to rules@wcc.ok.gov.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 in Commission Chambers on the 2nd floor of the Denver N. Davison Building, 1915 N. Stiles Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Interested parties must sign in at the door.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Lindsey Christopher at the above address on or before February 15, 2018.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained from the Workers' Compensation Commission, 1915 N. Stiles, Suite 231, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. Copies of proposed rules may be obtained at a cost of 10 cents per page. The proposed rules are also available at http://www.ok.gov/wcc.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., §303(D), a rule impact statement will be prepared and may be obtained from the Workers' Compensation Commission at the above address beginning January 31, 2018.

CONTACT PERSON:

Lindsey Christopher, Commission Counsel, 918-295-3731, lindsey.christopher@wcc.ok.gov.