

## **RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

### **TITLE 245. OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS CHAPTER 15. LICENSING AND PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS**

#### **Purpose:**

Subchapter 1. General Provisions: The proposed amendments will provide definitions to assist in the revised requirements for the Oklahoma Minimum Standards for the Practice of Land Surveying, delete duplicated definitions that are included in the statutes, and create a definition for “Significant structures” as authorized by Title 59, 475.12c(H).

Subchapter 3. Application and Eligibility for Licensing: The proposed amendments will modify the engineering and land surveying requirements for licensure to be in congruence with statutory changes effective November 1, 2017, while eliminating duplicated language. Proposed amendments will also allow for a more expedited process with fewer obstacles for licensure for out-of-state licensees applying to obtain a license in Oklahoma and simplify the process for new licensees obtaining their original license in Oklahoma.

Subchapter 5. Examinations: Further clarify the application, scheduling, and postponement process for applicants.

Subchapter 7. Licensure: Provide for clarifying language for professional engineers and land surveyors renewing their licenses

Subchapter 9. Rules of Professional Conduct: Update the language and clarify its intent.

Subchapter 11. Continuing Education: Update language and provide further definitions to the revised continuing education requirements in Title 59, 475.1 et seq. effective November 1, 2017.

Subchapter 13. Minimum Standards for Land Surveying: Generally modernize language and add standards for topographic and planimetric surveying and for Control Surveys.

Subchapter 17. Licensee’s Seal: Update language and include requirements for a Professional Structural Engineer as in Title 59, 475.1 et seq., effective November 1, 2017.

Subchapter 19. Organizational Practice: Provide for clarifications and create congruence between the new language in Title 59, 475.1 et seq., effective November 1, 2017 and the Administrative Rules.

Subchapter 21. Corner Perpetuation and Filing Act Requirements: Provide clarifications and modernize corner filing requirements to allow for digital filings

Subchapter 23. Violations: Provide clarifications and modify violation language to be in congruence with statutory changes effective November 1, 2017 and the Administrative Procedures Act.

- Persons affected – Licensees of the Board. Public notice was issued regarding the proposed rule language and public comment has been requested. The Board will consider comments from the public and, if applicable, will include the public comments in the rule revisions.

- Persons who will benefit: The future licensees of the Board will benefit from clear requirements regarding education; licensees who wish to retire their licenses will benefit; citizens requesting surveys will benefit by receiving a quality survey.

- Economic Impact to persons who will bear the cost: No cost impact

- Costs and benefits to the agency; source of revenue to be used: No cost impact to the agency or the citizens of the state of Oklahoma.