

ECONOMIC, SMALL BUSINESS, AND CONSUMER IMPACT STATEMENT

TITLE 4. PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

CHAPTER 11. STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

1. Identification of the rulemaking:

The Board needs to amend its rules related to license renewals.

- a. The conduct and its frequency of occurrence that the rule is designed to change:

Licensee renewal expiration date from June 30 of every third year to each licensee's birthdate every third year.

- b. The harm resulting from the conduct the rule is designed to change and the likelihood it will continue to occur if the rule is not changed:

The rule is being amended to conform to the changes based on the passage SB1013 during the 2021 legislative session. Not amending the rule would create a conflict between the statute and the rule beginning January 1, 2022.

- c. The estimated change in frequency of the targeted conduct expected from the rule change:

Licensee renewal expiration date from June 30 of every third year to each licensee's birthdate every third year.

2. A brief summary of the information included in the economic, small business, and consumer impact statement:

The amendment spreads out the expiration date(s) over the course of an entire calendar year as opposed to just one expiration date.

¹ If adequate data are not reasonably available, the agency shall explain the limitations of the data, the methods used in an attempt to obtain the data, and characterize the probable impacts in qualitative terms. (A.R.S. § 41-1055(C)).

3. The person to contact to submit or request additional data on the information included in the economic, small business, and consumer impact statement:

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4. Persons who will be directly affected by, bear the costs of, or directly benefit from the rulemaking:

Other than the costs to the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners', the costs are shared by the Board's licensees.

5. Cost-benefit analysis:

- a. Costs and benefits to state agencies directly affected by the rulemaking including the number of new full-time employees at the implementing agency required to implement and enforce the proposed rule:

The Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners is the only state agency affected by the rulemaking amendment and there will *not* be any costs, including the hiring of more personnel to manage the affects of the amendment. The benefits, as stated above, spreads out the renewal dates as opposed to one date per year.

- b. Costs and benefits to political subdivisions directly affected by the rulemaking:

N/A

c. Costs and benefits to businesses directly affected by the rulemaking:

No new costs will be incurred to businesses; they are the same whether the licensee renews on their birthdate(s) or June 30. The licensees may experience less of a delay in their renewals due to the spreading out of the workload over 12 months versus June 30.

6. Impact on private and public employment:

N/A

7. Impact on small businesses²:

a. Identification of the small business subject to the rulemaking:

The Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners' licensees, but this is no different than currently. There is no financial impact to small businesses other than dental businesses, but there are *no* new costs.

b. Administrative and other costs required for compliance with the rulemaking:

Negligible

c. Description of methods that may be used to reduce the impact on small businesses:

Minimal, if any, and only based on the cost to employers who pay renewal fees for its hired dental professionals.

8. Cost and benefit to private persons and consumers who are directly affected by the rulemaking:

No new costs will be incurred to individuals; they are the same whether the licensee renews on their birthdate(s) or June 30. The licensees may experience less of a delay in their renewals due to the spreading out of the workload over 12 months versus June 30. Consumers, like the licensee, can experience a benefit knowing that there will be

² Small business has the meaning specified in A.R.S. § 41-1001(20).

less of delay in the licensee being renewed, and therefore, continuity of care will continue.

9. Probable effects on state revenues:

No new revenues or expenses will be incurred.

10. Less intrusive or less costly alternative methods considered:

The Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners believes that by amending its rules to conform with the passage of SB1013 is the less intrusive and less costly alternative.