RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

1. RULE

Proposed EMERGENCY rules:

Subchapter 7.	Companies
Part 15.	Company Supervision [NEW]
365:25-7-80.	Purpose [NEW]
365:25-7-81.	Definitions [NEW]
365:25-7-82.	Authorization [NEW]
365:25-7-83.	Professional confidentiality [NEW]
365:25-7-84.	Passing on of confidential information [NEW]
365:25-7-85.	Agreements for information exchange [NEW]
365:25-7-86.	Supervisory Colleges [NEW]
Appendix BB.	Written Confirmation Statement [NEW]

2. PURPOSE

365:25-7-80 sets out the purpose of the new Part 15, which is to specify the confidential status and handling of certain information contained in the files of the Insurance Commissioner ("Commissioner") pursuant to various provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code (36 O.S. §§ 101-7301). Section 81 provides definitions to the terms "confidential information," "exchange," and "supervisory" used in the Part. Section 82 outlines the authorization for the Commissioner to promulgate these new rules. Section 83 establishes the guidelines for the protection of confidential information by the Commissioner, Department staff, and anyone else acting on behalf of the Commissioner or the Department. Section 84 sets out the procedure for passing on confidential information to other regulators. Section 85 allows for regulators to enter into agreements to facilitate the efficient execution of requests for or provisions of information. Section 86 provides guidelines for the exchange of confidential information through participation in a Supervisory College. Appendix BB is a written statement confirming that an organization will comply with the terms of the rules.

3. CLASSES AFFECTED:

A. Insurance Department staff

4. COST IMPACTS ON PRIVATE OR PUBLIC ENTITIES:

No information

5. CLASSES BENEFITTED:

No information

6. ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Unknown

7. PROBABLE COST TO AGENCY AND EFFECT ON STATE REVENUES:

None

8. SOURCE OF REVENUE:

Normal yearly budgeted funds

9. MEASURES TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS:

None

10. EFFECT ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT:

Unknown

11. LESS COSTLY/LESS INTRUSIVE METHODS:

Unknown

12. EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT IF RULE NOT IMPLEMENTED:

The rules are necessary to allow the Insurance Commissioner and staff to participate in several upcoming Supervisory Colleges scheduled for June 2016, July 2016, and January 2017. Participation is essential to monitoring the activities of large insurance holding companies that do business in our state but also have international operations. Oklahoma consumers will be harmed by not having their state representatives present for these important regulatory summits.

13. EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESS

Implementation of the proposed rule will not have an adverse effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

14. DATE PREPARED:

April 22, 2016