

Mississippi Secretary of State

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

AGENCY NAME Board of Animal Health		CONTACT PERSON James A. Watson, DVM	TELEPHONE NUMBER 601-359-1170	
ADDRESS 121 N. Jefferson St.		CITY Jackson	STATE Miss.	ZIP 39201
EMAIL jimw@mdac.ms.gov	SUBMIT DATE 12-7-23	name or number of rule(s): scrapie rule		

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Protects sheep and goat herds from scrapie disease.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: *Miss. Code Ann.*, §69-15-3

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: *MBAH Regs.*, Title 2, Part 101, Subpart 2, Ch. 16, Sec. 105.

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

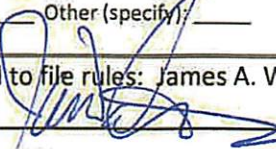
If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☐ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☒ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: _____ New rule(s) ☒ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: ☒ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

printed name and title of person authorized to file rules: James A. Watson, DVM, State Veterinarian

signature of person authorized to file rules: 

OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	OFFICIAL FILING STAMP
Accepted for filing by _____	 Accepted for filing by <u>27275 BJA</u>	Accepted for filing by _____

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.



Michael Watson

SECRETARY OF STATE

CONCISE SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

An Economic Impact Statement is required for this proposed rule by Section 25-43-3.105 of the Administrative Procedures Act. This is a Concise Summary of the Economic Impact Statement which must be filed with the Secretary of State's Office.

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ADDRESS 121 N. Jefferson St.	CITY Jackson	STATE MS	ZIP 39201
EMAIL jimw@mdac.ms.gov	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF PROPOSED RULE Scrapie Rule Amendment		
Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: Miss. Code Ann., §69-15-3		Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: MBAH Regs., Title 2, Pt. 101, Subpart 2, Ch. 16, §105	

A. Estimated Costs and Benefits

1. Briefly summarize the benefits that may result from this regulation and who will benefit:
This is a clarification of outdated rules that will help the public understand the regulation
2. Briefly describe the need for the proposed rule:
Certain segments of the existing rule are no longer valid
3. Briefly describe the effect the proposed action will have on the public health, safety, and welfare:
Clarification of rule will protect the animal health of the State of Mississippi
4. Estimated Cost of implementing proposed action:
 - a. To the agency
☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - b. To other state or local government entities
☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
5. Estimated Cost and/or economic benefit to all persons directly affected by the proposed rule:
 - a. Cost:
☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - b. Economic Benefit:
☐ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☒ Substantial ☐ Excessive
6. Estimated impact on small businesses:
 ☐ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☒ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - a. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation: 1000
 - b. Projected costs for small businesses to comply: \$1/animal
 - c. Statement of probable effect on impacted small businesses: Minimal

7. The cost of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

☒ substantially less than ☐ moderately less than ☐ minimally less than
☐ the same as ☐ minimally more than ☐ moderately more than
☐ substantially more than ☐ excessively more than

8. The benefit of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

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B. Reasonable Alternative Methods

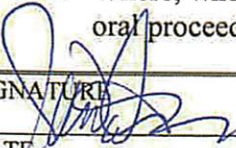
1. Other than adopting this rule, are there less costly or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule?
☐ yes ☒ no
2. If yes, please briefly describe available, reasonable alternative(s) and the reasons for rejecting those alternatives in favor of the proposed rule. (Please see §25-43-4.104 for factors you must consider.)

C. Data and Methodology

1. Please briefly describe the data and methodology you used in making the estimates required by this form. Audit of the Mississippi Scrapie Program by USDA requires this rule change to remain a "Scrapie Consistent State"

D. Public Notice

1. Where, when, and how may someone present their views on the proposed rule and request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule if one is not already scheduled? Call 1-888-646-8731

SIGNATURE 	TITLE State Veterinarian
DATE 12-7-23	PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE 2-2-24



DELBERT HOSEMAN
Secretary of State

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

An Economic Impact Statement is required for this proposed rule by Section 25-43-3.105 of the Administrative Procedures Act. An Economic Impact Statement must be attached to this Form and address the factors below. A **PDF** document containing this executed Form and the Economic Impact Statement must be filed with any proposed rule, if required by the aforementioned statute.

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ADDRESS 121 N. Jefferson St.	CITY Jackson	STATE MS	ZIP 39110
EMAIL jimw@mdac.ms.gov	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF PROPOSED RULE Scrapie Rule Update		
Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: Miss. Code Ann. §69-15-3		reference to rules repealed, amended or suspended by the proposed rule: MBAH Regs., Title 2, Pt. 101, Subpart 2, Ch. 16, §105	

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1. Describe the need for the proposed action: Synchronization of State Rule and Federal Code of Regulation in order to allow interstate commerce of sheep and goats
2. Describe the benefits which will likely accrue as the result of the proposed action: Protection of State Sheep and Goat Herds from Scrapie Disease
3. Describe the effect the proposed action will have on the public health, safety, and welfare: Prevention of occurrence of Scrapie will save money and animal lives to the citizens of Mississippi.
4. Estimate the cost to the agency and to any other state or local government entities, of implementing and enforcing the proposed action, including the estimated amount of paperwork, and any anticipated effect on state or local revenues: none
5. Estimate the cost or economic benefit to all persons directly affected by the proposed action: Without this rule change, Mississippi sheep and goat producers will have to spend extra money to send their animals to other states

6. Provide an analysis of the impact of the proposed rule on small business: USDA AG Statistics report 19,000 goats in MS, with over 1000 producers
 - a. Identify and estimate the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation: unknown
 - b. Provide the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record: Additional ear tagging will be required on certain classes of goats
 - c. state the probable effect on impacted small businesses: Making this rule change will keep MS as a "Scrapie Consistent State" which will allow movement of interstate commerce
 - c. Describe any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation including the following regulatory flexibility analysis:
 - i. The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
 - ii. The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
 - iii. The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
 - iv. The establishment of performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational standards required in the proposed regulation; and
 - v. The exemption of some or all small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed regulations: NA
7. Compare the costs and benefits of the proposed rule to the probable costs and benefits of not adopting the proposed rule or significantly amending an existing rule: NA
8. Determine whether less costly methods or less intrusive methods exist for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule where reasonable alternative methods exist which are not precluded by law: NA
9. Describe reasonable alternative methods, where applicable, for achieving the purpose of the proposed action which were considered by the agency: NA
10. State reasons for rejecting alternative methods that were described in #9 above: NA
11. Provide a detailed statement of the data and methodology used in making estimates required by this subsection: NA