## **Family Impact Statement**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 49:972 the proposed Rule has no known impact on the following:

- 1. the effect on stability of the family.
- 2. the effect on the authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children.
  - 3. the effect on the functioning of the family.
  - 4. the effect on family earnings and family budget.
- 5. the effect on the behavior and personal responsibility of children.
- 6. the ability of the family or a local government to perform the function as contained in the proposed rule.

## **Poverty Impact Statement**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 49:973, the proposed Rule has no known impact on the following:

- 1. the effect on household income, assets, and financial security.
- 2. the effect on early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development.
- 3. the effect on employment and workforce development.
  - 4. the effect on taxes and tax credits.
- 5. the effect on child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation, and utilities assistance.

## **Small Business Analysis**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 49:965.2-965.8, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, the proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an adverse impact on small business; therefore, a Small Business Impact Statement has not been prepared.

# **Provider Impact Statement**

Pursuant to the provisions of HCR170 of 2014, the proposed Rule has no known impact on impact on the following:

- 1. the effect on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service.
- 2. the total direct and indirect effect on the costs to the provider to provide the same level of service.
- 3. the overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

# **Public Comments**

Interested persons may submit written comments to Jason Hessick, General Counsel - Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, 7979 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806. All comments must be submitted no later than the end of business day, central time zone, September 10, 2025.

Bert Dabadie Captain

# FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: Required Equipment

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule is not anticipated to result in any costs or savings for the Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV).

In compliance with Act 143 of the 2025 RS, the OMV proposed to amend Section 813 of Part III, Subchapter B (Safety Inspections) of Chapter 8 (Motor Vehicle Inspection), Title 55 (Public Safety) of the Louisiana Administrative Code.

Specifically, the proposed rule changes the required light transmission for front side windows from 40 percent to 25 percent for vehicles presented for inspection that do not have a valid window tint medical exemption affidavit or a security exemption form issued by the department.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There is no anticipated effect on revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

There are no anticipated costs or economic benefits to directly affected persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

Implementation of this proposed rule is not anticipated to have an effect on competition and employment.

Captain Bertrand L. Dabadie Captain 2508#048 Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer Legislative Fiscal Office

#### NOTICE OF INTENT

# Department of Revenue Tax Policy and Planning Division

Alcoholic Beverage Sales by Out-of-State Sellers to Louisiana Wholesalers Registration and Electronic Reporting Procedures (LAC 61:I.203)

Under the authority of R.S. 47:1511 and 26:364(D), and in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Department of Revenue, Tax Policy and Planning Division, gives notice that rulemaking procedures have been initiated to propose adoption of LAC 61:I.203.

Louisiana Revised Statutes 26:364 requires the Department to obtain information on imported high and low alcoholic content beverages from out-of-state sellers to Louisiana wholesalers. Previously conveyed through U.S. Mail, the proposed Rule requires out-of-state manufacturers and wholesale sellers to submit reports on sales and shipments by electronic means through the Louisiana Taxpayer Access Point (LaTAP). This proposed Rule is written in plain language to increase transparency.

# Title 61

# REVENUE AND TAXATION

Part I. Taxes Collected and Administered by the Secretary of Revenue

Chapter 2. Alcoholic Beverages

§203. Alcoholic Beverage Sales by Out-of-State Sellers to Louisiana Wholesalers – Registration and Electronic Reporting Procedures

A. Definitions. The following definitions are contained in R.S. 26:241 and correlate those contained in R.S.26:364(B).

Alcoholic Beverages—shall have the same meaning as ascribed in R.S. 26:241(1)

High Alcoholic Content Beverages—shall have the same meaning as ascribed in R.S. 26:241(3)

Low Alcoholic Content Beverages—shall have the same meaning as ascribed in R.S. 26:241(4)

Out-of-State Manufacturers and Wholesalers—the distiller, the producer, the owner of the commodity at the time it becomes a marketable product, the bottler, or the exclusive agent of any such distiller, producer, bottler or owner, located outside the jurisdictional territory of Louisiana, as described in R.S. 26:364(B).

# B. Application.

- 1. All out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers of high and low alcoholic content beverages must have registered and obtained authority for shipment of the alcoholic beverages into Louisiana for purchase by Louisiana licensed wholesale dealers through a permit issued by the Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control (ATC). Registration to ship must be filed with the Louisiana Department of Revenue (LDR) on revenue.louisiana.gov/TaxForms, Form R-5626, Application for Authority to Ship Alcoholic Beverages into Louisiana. Application forms must be sent electronically to atsapplications@la.gov.
- 2. Excepting Chapter 2 § 201 for direct shipments of sparkling or still wines to consumers, the rule applies to all distilled spirits, liquors, wines, beer, cider, mead, malt, and mixed or compounded products that contain more than one-half of one percent alcohol by volume (unless expressly excepted in R.S. 26:3) imported into Louisiana.
- C. Reporting of shipments of alcoholic beverages into Louisiana
- 1. Out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers of alcoholic beverages shall electronically submit a "notice of shipment" for sales of alcoholic beverages through the Louisiana Taxpayer Access Point (LaTAP), the Department's online portal for administrative reporting.
- 2. Reporting Requirements: The reporting of sales and shipments to Louisiana licensed wholesale dealers shall be made on a monthly basis by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month following the reporting period, if sales activity has occurred, and shall include the following information:
  - a. Invoice date and number;
  - b. Date of shipment;
- c. The name of the purchasing Louisiana licensed wholesale dealer, and address for delivery of shipment;
- d. For shipments of high content alcoholic beverages, the brand and type (with recognition of alcohol by volume), packaging (number of containers per case), size of the container (volume) as per R.S. 26:351, and number of cases, packages, or other units;
- e. For shipments of low content alcoholic beverages, the brand and type (with recognition of alcohol by volume), packaging (number of containers per unit, package, or case), size of container (volume), and number of cases, barrels, packages, or other units;
- f. Method of transportation of the alcoholic beverages, i.e., United Parcel Service, Federal Express, U.S. Mailing, private carrier under a permit, *inter alia*.
- 3. The effective date of this Rule commences on January 1, 2026, and applies to all reportable sales by out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers for shipments into Louisiana of high and low alcoholic content beverages during that month and thereafter.

4. If the out-of-state manufacturer or wholesaler can prove electronic filing of a report, or application for certification would create an undue hardship, the secretary may exempt the out-of-state manufacturer or wholesaler from filing the return, report, or application electronically.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 47:1511 and R.S. 26:364(D).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Revenue, Tax Policy and Planning Division, LR 51

## **Family Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule will not have a measurable impact on family as defined by R.S. 49:972(D) or on family formation, stability and autonomy, as the regulation only changes the method by which out-of-state sellers are currently reporting sales made to Louisiana licensed wholesalers of high and low content alcoholic beverages from mailing to electronic means. The Rule should have no other known or foreseeable impact on:

- 1. the stability of the family.
- 2. the authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children.
  - 3. the functioning of the family.
  - 4. family earnings and family budget.
  - 5. the behavior and personal responsibility of children.
- 6. the ability of the family or a local government to perform this function.

# **Poverty Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule has no known impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973.

### **Small Business Analysis**

The proposed Rule has no known or foreseeable measurable impact on small businesses as described in R.S. 49:974.4.

### **Provider Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule has no known or foreseeable effect on:

- 1. the staffing levels requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service.
- 2. the total direct and indirect effect on the cost to the provider to provide the same level of service.
- 3. the overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

# **Public Comments**

All interested persons may submit written data, views, or comments regarding this proposed rule to Johnette L. Martin, Attorney, Tax Policy and Planning Division, Office of Legal Affairs, P.O. Box 44098, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4098. Written comments will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 24, 2025.

# **Public Hearing**

A public hearing will be held on October 1, 2025, at 2 o'clock p.m. in the LaBelle Room located on the 1st floor of the LaSalle Building, 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. An individual with a disability wishing to participate in the public hearing and in need of assistance should notify Johnette L. Martin, 225-219-4920, johnette.martin@la.gov, seven days in advance of the public hearing for accommodation to be arranged.

# Richard Nelson Secretary

# FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

# RULE TITLE: Alcoholic Beverage Sales by Out-of-State Sellers to Louisiana Wholesalers—Registration and Electronic Reporting Procedures

# I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

Implementation of the proposed regulation is anticipated to increase one-time expenditures in the Department of Revenue (LDR) by \$25,200 SGR in FY 26. The proposed regulation requires the development of a portal on the Louisiana Taxpayer Access Point (LaTAP) to receive monthly notices of shipping from out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers for electronic submission of records of high and low alcoholic content beverages shipped to Louisiana licensed wholesale dealers. Act 498 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature allows the Secretary of LDR to prescribe how records are submitted, instead of the currently used written documentation and mail procedures. The creation of the portal will cost approximately \$25,200. This sum is currently within the budgeted amount of departmental funds dedicated by contract to the upgrading of electronic transmission and storage faculties of LDR's reporting system. The cost is limited to the impact upon the state and will not affect local governmental

# II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There are no anticipated effects on revenue collections of state or local governments. The proposed regulation changes only the method of data collection by LDR.

# III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

Persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups will directly benefit from the proposed regulation. Currently, out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers selling alcoholic content beverages to Louisiana licensed wholesale dealers must prepare and mail paper reports immediately upon shipment of all sales with descriptive content information and shipping details. Under the proposed rule, out-of-state manufacturers and wholesalers will be able to input information into an electronic template provided by LDR on its website, which is anticipated to simplify their workload, reduce paperwork, and avoid the cost of postage. Submission will only be required on a monthly basis documenting sales and shipments of the reporting period, if activity has occurred.

# IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

There is no anticipated or foreseen impact on competition or employment.

Richard Nelson Secretary 2508#045 Alan M. Boxberger Legislative Fiscal Officer Legislative Fiscal Office

### NOTICE OF INTENT

# Department of Transportation and Development Office of General Counsel

Personnel (LAC 70:XXI.Chapter 1)

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative e Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950, et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 36:504 that the Department of Transportation and Development proposes to repeal LAC 70:XXI, which sets out the Department's Substance Abuse and Drug-Free Workplace Policy. LAC 70:XXI regulates only the internal management of the agency (i.e., Department of Transportation and Development employees), and therefore does not fit the statutory definition of Rule found in R.S. 49:951. Furthermore, the Department of Transportation and Development's Policy and Procedure Manual Number 21 contains similar directives to govern employees. Therefore, LAC 70.XXI should not be a Rule.

# Title 70 TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT Part XXI. Personnel

# Chapter 1. Substance Abuse and Drug-Free Workplace Policy

§101. Philosophy

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 49:1015.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 25:536 (March 1999), repealed by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 51:

# §103. Employment Requirements

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 49:1015.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 25:536 (March 1999), repealed by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 51:

# §105. Drug/Alcohol Testing

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 49:1015.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 25:536 (March 1999), repealed by the Department of Transportation and Development, Office of General Counsel, LR 51: