November 5, 2025

### RE: Minority Business Enterprise - Summary Report

To Whom It May Concern:

Louisiana Economic Development hereby announces its plan to proceed with rule-making by finalizing the <u>Minority Business Enterprise</u> Rules, originally published as a Notice of Intent on pages 1356-1360 of the September 20, 2025 *Louisiana Register*.

A public hearing was held on November 3, 2025. No members of the public attended and no written comments received.

No further changes have been made to the proposed rule.

Subject to the legislative oversight by House and Senate Committee on Commerce, LED intends to submit for final publication a Rule in the December 20, 2025 Louisiana Register.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (225) 342-3000.

Sincerely.

Leticia Johnson, Staff Attorney

cc: Senate, Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs

Senate President

House of Representatives, Committee on Commerce

Speaker, House of Representative

subsequent offenses, a fine of not more than \$50,000 for each violation. The number of individuals who may violate the proposed rule changes and be assessed civil fines is speculative and indeterminable.

Act 300 of 2025 Regular Session moved the Imported Seafood Safety Program from the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism (CRT) to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF). The proposed rule change will implement the Imported Seafood Safety Fee into the LDAF, which will result in a decrease in revenue for CRT and a corresponding increase in revenue for LDAF. The net impact on the state's revenue is not anticipated to be impacted by the Imported Seafood Safety Fee. The Safety fee is as follows; \$300 for 2025, \$500 for 2026, \$750 for 2027, and \$1,000 for 2028 and each calendar year thereafter. For informational purposes, the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) reports that there are currently 53 imported commercial seafood license

The repeals of LAC 7:XXXV are not anticipated to impact revenue collections of state or local governmental units as they have not been in use for some time.

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

Directly affected persons and small businesses, processors, and distributors who import seafood may incur additional costs and workloads to produce the reports required by the proposed rule change. LDAF staff expect that the information needed for the reports is likely already available for the processors or distributors impacted.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to impact competition or employment.

Dane Morgan Assistant Commissioner 2509#040

Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer Legislative Fiscal Office



#### Louisiana Economic Development Office of Economic Development

Minority Business Enterprise (LAC 19:III.Chapters 1-25)

Louisiana Economic Development ("LED"), Office of Economic Development, authorized by and pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and R.S. 36:104, hereby give notice of their-intent-torepeal Rules for the administration of the Minority Business Enterprise.

In accordance with the Office of the Governor Executive Order No. JML 25-038, LED reviewed and evaluated these program rules, determined them to be obsolete and unnecessary and therefore seeks their repeal.

#### Title 19

### **CORPORATION AND BUSINESS** Part III. Minority Business Enterprises

#### Chapter 1. Statement of Policy/Legal Basis **Statement of Policy** §101.

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969, R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:342 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **General Provisions** Chapter 3.

#### §301. **Definitions**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969, R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:342 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **Certification Procedures** Chapter 5.

#### §501. **Criteria for Minority Certification**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969, R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:343 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **Distribution of Certification Applications §503.** Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969, R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:343 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **§505.** Procedure

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:343 (April 1985), amended by the Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women's Business Enterprise, LR 14:350 (June 1988), LR 15:960 (November 1989), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **§507. Submittal of Information Requested** Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **Certification Documents Inquiries/Assistance** Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:195-1969 and R.S. 3:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §511. **Notification of Minority Certification Decision** Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §513. Disapproval of Minority Certification

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39-1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §515. Verification of Information Submitted

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §517. Change in Minority Ownership/Control Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §519. Application Denied or Withdrawn

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §521. Liability

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# §523. Exceptions to Vendor Certification Requirements

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### Chapter 7. Recertification Procedures

#### §701. Annual Recertification

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), amended by the Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women's Business Enterprise, LR 15:959 (November 1989), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §703. Failure to Recertify

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business

Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), amended by the Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women's Business Enterprise, LR 15:960 (November 1989), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# Chapter 9. Complaints Concerning Certified Vendors

#### §901. Ineligibility Complaints

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:344 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §903. Investigation of Complaint

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §905. Notification of Complaint

Repealed

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §907. Response to Complaint

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §909. Cooperation in Complaint Investigation

Repealed

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §911. Temporary Suspension

Repealed

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §913. Complaint Investigation Decision

Repealed

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### Chapter 11. Decertification Procedures

#### §1101. Certification Denied

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1103. Petition for Reconsideration

Repealed

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# §1105. Petition Reconsidered or Reviewed by OMBE Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1107. Decision of Reconsideration Petition Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# Chapter 13. Minority Participation in State Procurement Activity

# §1301. Establishment of Annual Goals for Agencies Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# §1303. Preparation by Agencies of Annual Plan for Attainment of Annual Goal

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1069 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:345 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# Chapter 15. Designation and Setting-Aside of Procurement Activities for Minority-Owned Business Participation

# §1501. Identification of Goods and Services Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1503. Publication of Minority Business Directory Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business

Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1505. Publication of Minority Business Directory Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1507. Goods, Services and Public Works Set-Aside Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §1509. Applicable Laws

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1511. Bid Identified as Set-Aside

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §1513. Bid Proposal Advertisements

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §1515. Agency Receipt and Evaluation of Minority Set-Aside Bids

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1517. Designation of a Minority Set-Aside Bid Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:346 (April 1985), amended LR 13:342 (June 1987), LR 13:497 (September 1987), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## Chapter 17. Criteria for Procurement of Goods and Services

# §1701. Criteria for Procurement of Goods and Services Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), amended LR 13:343 (June 1987), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1703. Consulting Services

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), amended LR 13:497 (September 1987), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

## §1705. Public Work Bids \$200,000 or More Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1707. Construction Bids under \$200,000

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# Chapter 19. Noncertified Vendor Participation §1901. Noncertified Vendor Participation

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §1903. Liability

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1905. Small Business Criteria Waived

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

# §1907. Annual Target Goals with Non-Certified Minority Vendor

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §1909. Certification Procedures

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### Chapter 21. Reports

#### §2101. Quarterly Reporting

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:347 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §2103. Annual Report to Legislature

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:348 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### Chapter 23. Directory of Minority Businesses

#### §2301. Directory of Certified Minority Business Enterprises

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1951-1969 and R.S. 39:1981-1991.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Minority Business Enterprises, LR 11:348 (April 1985), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### **Family Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact of family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in R.S. 49972.

#### **Poverty Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973.

#### Provider Impact Statement

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on providers of services as described in HCR 170 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Sassion.

#### Small Business Analysis

Pursuant to R.S. 49:905.6, methods for reduction of the impact on small business, as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, have been considered when creating this proposed Rule. This proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an adverse impact on small businesses.

#### **Pablic Comments**

Interested persons should submit written comments on the proposed Rules to Stephanie Hartman, Louisiana Economic Development, 617 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 or via email to Stephanie.Hartman@LA.GOV. All comments must be received no later than close of business day, October 30, 2025.

#### Public Hearing

A meeting for the purpose of receiving the presentation of oral comments on the Notice of Intent will be held at 11 a.m. on November 3, 2025 in the La Belle Conference Room at the LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. All interested persons will be afforded an

opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments, orally or in writing, at said hearing. Individuals with disabilities who require special services should contact Dawn Thibodeaux at least two working days in advance of the hearing. For assistance, call 225.342.3740 (voice and TDD) or email dawn.thibodeaux@la.gov.

Anne G. Villa: Deputy Secretary/CFO

### FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: Minority Business Enterprise

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

The proposed repeal of the rules is not anticipated to result in any direct material effect on governmental expenditures or savings to state or local governmental units.

The proposed rule change repeals the Minority Business Enterprise Program. This program was initially under the Office of the Governor and later created within Louisiana Economic Development (LED). However, the program has not been implemented within LED for decades. The proposed repeal better aligns Title 19, Part II, as required by the Office of the Governor Executive Order No. 25-038, and aligns with current practices.

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

The proposed repeal is not anticipated to affect revenue collections for state or local governmental units.

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

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

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

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There is no anticipated effect on competition and employment.

Anne G. Villa Deputy Secretary/CFO 2509#020 Alan M. Boxberger Legislative Fiscal Officer Legislative Fiscal Office

#### NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Economic Development Office of Economic Development

Office of Women's Business Enterprise (LAC 19:Chapters 1-5)

Louisiana Economic Development ("LED"), Office of Economic Development, authorized by and pursuant to the provision of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and R.S. 36:104, hereby give notice of their intent to repeal rules for the administration of the Office of Women's Business Enterprise.

In accordance with the Office of Governor Executive Order Number JML 25-038, LED reviewed and evaluated these program rules and determined them to be obsolete and unnecessary and therefore seeks their repeal.

#### Title 19

#### **CORPORATION AND BUSINESS**

### Part I. Office of Women's Business Enterprise

#### Chapter 1. General Provisions

§101. Statement of Policy

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:790 (October 1984), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §103. Definitions

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:790 (October 1984), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR.

#### Chapter 3. Certification

#### §301. Delegation

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:790 (October, 1984), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### §303. Procedure

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:790 (October 1984), amended by the Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women's Business Enterprise, LR 15:961 (November 1989), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

### §305. Disapproval of Women-Owned Businesses

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:790 (October 1984), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### Chapter 5. Appeal Procedures

### §501. Appeal Procedures

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 39:1735.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of Women's Business Enterprise, LR 10:791 (October 1984), repealed by Louisiana Economic Development, Office of Economic Development, LR 51:

#### Family Impact Statement

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

#### **Poverty Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973.