

November 5, 2025

RE: Office of Women's Business Enterprise – Summary Report

To Whom It May Concern:

Louisiana Economic Development hereby announces its plan to proceed with rule-making by finalizing the **Office of Women's Business Enterprise** Rules, originally published as a Notice of Intent on pages 1360 -1361 of the September 20, 2025 *Louisiana Register*.

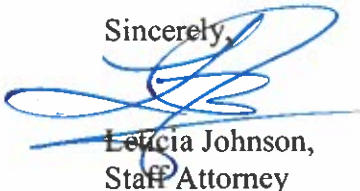
A public hearing was held on November 3, 2025. No members of the public attended and no written comments received.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Leticia Johnson", is written over the word "Sincerely," and the printed name "Leticia Johnson, Staff Attorney".

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

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.

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Deputy Secretary/CFO

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

RULE TITLE: Minority Business Enterprise

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL 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 III, as required by the Office of the Governor Executive Order No. 25-038, and aligns with current practices.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE 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-governmental groups.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

There is no anticipated effect on competition and employment.

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~~NOTICE OF INTENT~~ **RULE** 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.~~

Small Business Analysis

Pursuant to R.S. 49:965.6, 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.

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 Session.

Public Comments

Interested persons should submit written comments on the proposed Rules to Stephanie Hartman, Louisiana Economic Development, 617 North 3rd Street, 11th 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.

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NOTICE OF INTENT

Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Accountability System
(LAC 28:XI.405, 5107, 5701, 6115, and 6813)

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:6(A)(10) and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) proposes to amend LAC 28:XI in *Bulletin 111—The Louisiana School, District, and State Accountability System* and *Bulletin 118—Statewide Assessment Standards and Practices*. Act 472 of the 2025 Regular Legislative Session revises the administration schedule to reduce the number of state assessments in social studies beginning no later than the 2027-2028 school year. Further revisions codify assessment implementation dates, establish cut scores and assessment levels, and make technical edits.

Title 28

EDUCATION

Part XI. Accountability/Testing

Subpart 1. Bulletin 111—The Louisiana School, District, and State Accountability System

Chapter 4. Assessment and Dropout/Credit Accumulation Index Calculations

§405. Calculating a K-8 Assessment Index

A. - B.5. ...

a. emerging—receptive modality is 1 and productive modality is 1;

b. progressing 1—score of 1 on receptive modality or productive modality;

c. progressing 2—score of 2 on receptive modality and productive modality;

d. progressing 3—score of 2 on one modality and 3 or 4 on the other modality; and

e. transitioning—score of 3 or 4 on receptive and productive modalities.

C. - J. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:6 and 17:10.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 32:1021 (June 2006), amended LR 36:1989 (September 2010), LR 38:3106 (December 2012), LR 41:2579 (December 2015), LR 42:548 (April 2016), LR 42:2172 (December 2016), LR 44:448 (March 2018), LR 45:221 (February 2019), LR 47:445 (April 2021), LR 49:31 (January 2023), LR 49:1698 (October 2023), LR 50:948 (July 2024), LR 51:

Subpart 3. Bulletin 118—Statewide Assessment Standards and Practices

Chapter 51. General Provisions

§5107. Assessment Programs

[Formerly LAC 28:CXI.107]

A. Kindergarten Developmental Readiness Screening Program (KDRSP). Each school district is required to administer an approved entry assessment instrument to each child entering kindergarten for the first time, with the results