



CSI Digest

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Since 2012, CSI has reviewed more than 10,000 rules in approximately 1,500 rule packages, and over the last two years there has been a net decrease in the number of business-impacting rules. We have made great progress reforming Ohio's regulatory environment through CSI, but our progress is enhanced when businesses and the organizations which represent them take part in



the CSI process. In June last year, I unveiled the [CSI Small Business Toolkit](#), which provides the information needed to participate in a simple, accessible way, and fosters even more business participation. Specifically, it gives Ohio's businesses information on how to participate in the rule review process, how to use CSI to resolve specific regulatory challenges, and shares some of the successes CSI has had in helping the business community since the office was created in 2011. We saw an increase in the number of comments we received from businesses in the CSI process during 2016 and I hope that trend continues this year. Your comments help guide our focus, and we'd love to hear from you!

Mary Taylor

CSI UPDATE: SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL

The [Small Business Advisory Council](#) (SBAC) is the nine-person advisory board comprised of small business owners and executives that meets quarterly to provide CSI with a small business perspective and guidance on its activities. At its most recent meeting on February 15, the Council convened in Columbus to discuss state initiatives, including the Ohio Third Frontier and financial and compliance assistance provided through the Ohio EPA. The Ohio Third Frontier provides access to essential business assistance, capital and talent resources in order to accelerate the creation and growth of investable and scalable technology and tech-enabled companies here in Ohio. The Ohio EPA provided an in-depth look into the financial and consulting resources available to small businesses. Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention is specifically geared toward helping small businesses comply with environmental regulations, particularly by offering free and [confidential on-site compliance](#) assessments. The office helps customers identify and implement pollution prevention measures that can save money, increase business performance, and benefit the

environment. Additionally, the SBAC discussed pending legislation defining “microbusinesses” and reviewed the [CSI Annual Report](#). The current Council members are:

Orlando Alonso	Tom Demaline	Mike Flowers
Mike Baach	Crystal Faulkner	Sandy McCarthy
Michael Canty	Rick Fedorovich	Lorraine Walker

CSI AT WORK: SPECIAL EVENT COSMETOLOGY PERMITS

Traditionally the Ohio State Board of Cosmetology has allowed cosmetologists to receive temporary authority to practice outside of a licensed salon for special events like weddings. However, recent legislation inadvertently removed the mechanism by which these temporary authorities were granted, meaning that without further action, cosmetologists would either have to tell customers that they could not operate offsite for special events or would have to operate illegally, placing their licenses and their businesses at risk. The CSI Office worked closely with the Cosmetology Board to identify language that could legally be adopted through rules to allow for these temporary licenses until the statutes could be fixed, and the rule language was adopted through a procedure allowing it to take immediate effect.

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT: BUREAU OF WORKERS’ COMPENSATION: OTHER STATES COVERAGE

Last year, the Bureau of Workers’ Compensation launched [an optional policy](#) to provide proper coverage to eligible Ohio employers for employees traveling out-of-state on business. While Ohio workers’ compensation generally provides coverage for employees working temporarily outside of Ohio, complications can arise when the injured worker files a claim in another state. Treatment can be delayed and businesses can be subject to penalties by the other state. By contracting with an insurer licensed in other states, the Bureau is now able to offer an option that ensures proper coverage regardless of jurisdiction. The offering simplifies workers’ compensation for these employers, ensuring their employees are protected without the need to manage policies in multiple states with varying laws. Employers can apply for this coverage through policies issued by the Bureau through a program with United States Insurance Services (USIS) and Zurich Insurance.

RECOMMENDATIONS ISSUED IN FEBRUARY

STATE AGENCY	CSI RECOMMENDATION ON RULE PACKAGE
Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Livestock Environmental Permitting• Online Auctions and Ownership Reporting Requirements
Casino Control Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skill-Based Amusement Machine Key

	Employee Licensing, Duty to Update, and Affirmative Duties
Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Marijuana Cultivator Rules
Cosmetology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • License Display Rule Rescission
Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiation Protection - General Licenses and Licenses for Manufacturing and Distribution
Job and Family Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of Placements with Relative or Nonrelative Caregivers
Medicaid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed Care Sub-Contractors
Natural Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diesel Rules
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fees for Services
Pharmacy Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dangerous Drugs: Broker Classification and Personally Furnished Controlled Substances Records Requirements • Office Based Opioid Treatment
Public Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile Intensive Care Units
Racing Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five-Year Reviews (Chapters 6, 15, and 16)
Taxation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tangible Personal Property Rules
Veterinary Medical Licensing Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five-Year Reviews
Workers' Compensation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fee Schedule and Payments for Medical Services

For more detailed information about rules CSI has reviewed or is in the process of reviewing can be found at CSI [Active Rule Packages](#).

CONTACT CSI AND BE IN THE KNOW

- Help contribute to Ohio's success by pointing out state regulations that hinder your growth. [Share Your Solutions](#) or [email](#) us.

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