

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Title of Rule:** Fair Housing

**Rule Identifier:** 515-RICR-10-00-3

**Rulemaking Action:** Proposed Amendment

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: 10/30/2018

End of Public Comment: 11/29/2018

**Authority for this Rulemaking:**

RIGL 28-5-13(4)

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

The definitions under this Part were consolidated into Part 1 to facilitate navigation and understanding of the regulations. The provisions for Housing for Older Persons and Accessibility were simplified.

**Additional Information and Comments:**

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until November 29, 2018 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within thirty (30) days of this notice.

**Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:**

The amendment of the attached Rule should not increase any costs to the public as the amendments are proposed to streamline and clarify procedures before the Commission with regard to Fair Housing matters. There are no filing fees or other costs associated with the amendments. By consolidating the definitions formerly in this Rule into another Rule, it will be easier for the public to navigate the Rules. There were no other reasonable alternatives to the proposed Rules as the

Commission must comply with existing state law and this Rule clarifies existing procedures under those laws. Any confusing language was removed to simplify the terms of the Rule. There is no overlap between this Rule and that of any other state agency.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.