

RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION (INCLUDES THE OFFICE OF THE
HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER)**

Title of Rule: Certified Constables
Rule Identifier: 230-RICR-30-40-1
Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Amendment
Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: February 25, 2022
End of Public Comment: March 28, 2022

Rulemaking Authority:
R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-5-10.1

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

The Office of Child Support Services made DBR aware that one of the regulation's provisions conflicts with state law as to confidential information on a return or proof of service. As a result, DBR has proposed an amendment to § 1.9 (E) that adds an exception to the proof/return requirements to account for Office of Child Support Services' responsibility to keep domestic violence victims' addresses confidential pursuant R.I. Gen. Laws § 15-22-4 and § 15-22-5.

The Department does not expect these proposed amendments to be controversial. The proposed rule will take effect thirty (30) days after publication if no objection is received.

The Agency does not expect this filing to be controversial and therefore, a public hearing will not be held.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before March 28, 2022, the Department of Business Regulation (includes the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner) will file the Amendment and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to:

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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

There are no costs associated with this amendment. The benefits of this amendment are a reduction in confusion across multiple state agencies that interact with Certified Constables, and consistency in state law and regulations. There is no impact on small businesses. In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.