

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, the following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: RI Department of State

DIVISION: Business Services Division

RULE IDENTIFIER: 100-RICR-30-00-5

RULE TITLE: Renewal & Cancellation of Trade Names

REASON FOR RULEMAKING:

The Department of State is proposing to adopt 100-RICR-30-00-5 entitled, "Renewal & Cancellation of Trade Names." With this proposed rule, the Secretary of State, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 6-1-7, is establishing the required filing information and renewal period to maintain an active Trade Name Registration. The rule will also create a formal process for the involuntary cancellation of a nonrenewed Trade Name Registration. This regulation is promulgated pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 6-1-7.

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS:

The Department held a Public Hearing on August 18, 2026. No comments or testimony were received at or following the Public Hearing.

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE:

The Department has not made any substantive changes to the text of the regulation as proposed.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS:

In the development of the proposed adoption, 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.