# Regulatory Analysis Form This space for use by IRRC (1) Agency Transportation (2) I.D. Number (Governor's Office Use) No. 18-408 **IRRC Number:** (3) Short Title ROADSIDE REST AREAS (4) PA Code Cite (5) Agency Contacts & Telephone Numbers 67 Pa. Code, Chapter 443 Primary Contact: Jack Christensen (717) 787-0466 Secondary Contact: Robert Kleimenhagen (717) 787-7002 (6) Type of Rulemaking (Check One) (7) Is a 120-Day Emergency Certification Attached? ✓ Proposed Rulemaking Final Order Adopting Regulation ☑ No Final Order, Proposed Rulemaking Omitted Yes: By the Attorney General Yes: By the Governor (8) Briefly explain the regulation in clear and nontechnical language. The purpose of this regulation is ensure that Roadside Rest Area and Welcome Centers provide comfortable, convenient, clean, attractive and safe places for the general motoring public and to set forth rules to insure the maximum comfort, convenience, cleanliness, health and safety of those members of the general public using the facilities. This regulation delineates the activities or actions which are inconsistent with the purpose of Roadside Rest Area and Welcome Centers. The purpose of this amendment is to provide greater detail in the delineation of the impermissible activities. (9) State the statutory authority for the regulation and any relevant state or federal court decisions.

These regulations are promulgated pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 8 of the Act of June 7, 1961, (P.L. 257, No 151) as amended (36 P.S. § 478.18).

(10) Is the regulation mandated by any federal or state law or court order, or federal regulations? If yes, cite the specific law, case or regulation, and any deadlines for action.

These amendments to the regulation are not mandated by any federal or state law or court order or federal regulations.

(11) Explain the compelling public interest that justifies the regulation. What is the problem it addresses?

Amendments to the existing regulation are required to further delineate the activities or actions permissible and impermissible at Roadside Rest Areas or Welcome Centers for the protection and convenience of the motoring public.

(12) State the public health, safety, environmental or general welfare risks associated with non-regulation.

Failure to amend these regulations will result in continued ambiguity in what is considered appropriate use and activity of Roadside Rest Areas and Welcome Centers the potential for the activity that negatively affects the comfort, convenience, cleanliness, health and safety of those members of the general public using the facilities.

(13) Describe who will benefit from the regulation. (Quantify the benefits as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will benefit.)

The general motoring public will benefit from this regulation because it will better ensure the maximum comfort, convenience, cleanliness, health and safety of those members using the facilities.

(14) Describe who will be adversely affected by the regulation. (Quantify the adverse effects as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will be adversely affected.)

There should be no adverse impact on anyone from these amendments to the regulation.

(15) List the persons, groups or entities that will be required to comply with the regulation. (Approximate the number of people who will be required to comply.)

Any member of the general public wishing to use or engage in activity at a Roadside Rest Area o Welcome Center will be required to comply with this regulation.

(16) Describe the communications with and input from the public in the development and drafting of the regulation. List the persons and/or groups who were involved, if applicable.

In addition to internal Department discussions among Welcome Center Program Office and other Department District and Central Office professionals, public input was obtained from complaints received and from on-site conversations with travelers utilizing Roadside Rest Areas and Welcome Centers.

(17) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the regulated community associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required.

The costs and/or savings to the regulated community resulting from these amendments are marginal and cannot be calculated with any precision.

(18) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to local governments associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required.

There should be no costs and/or savings to local governments resulting from these amendments to the regulation.

(19) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to state government associated with the implementation of the regulation, including any legal, accounting, or consulting procedures which may be required.

There should be no costs and/or savings to state government resulting from these amendments to the regulation.

(20) In the table below, provide an estimate of the fiscal savings and costs associated with implementation and compliance for the regulated community, local government, and state government for the current year and five subsequent years.

	Current FY Year	FY + 1 Year	FY + 1 Year	FY + 3 Year	FY + 4 Year	FY + 5 Year
SAVINGS:	\$ N/A	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Regulated Community:	N/A	F		19		
Local Government:	N/A				9	
State Government:	N/A	10				
Total Savings	N/A					

COSTS:	N/A		100		
Regulated Community	N/A		F00'9		11 Marie
Local Government	N/A				
State Government	N/A				***
Total Costs	N/A				
REVENUE LOSSES:	N/A	82		- 25	
Regulated Community	N/A				
Local Government	N/A		100.0		
State Government	N/A				
Total Revenue Losses	N/A			at	

(20a) Explain how the cost estimates listed above were derived.

N/A

(20b) Provide the three year expenditure history for programs affected by the regulation.

Program	FY-3	FY-2	FY-1	Current FY
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
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(21) Using cost-benefit information provided above, explain how the benefits of the regulation outweigh the adverse effects and costs.

N/A

(22) Describe the nonregulatory alternatives considered and the costs associated with those alternatives. Provide the reasons for their dismissal.

There were no nonregulatory alternatives considered. The changes to the Roadside Rest Areas could not be effected without amendment of the regulation.

Commonwealth of PA Dept. of Transportation (23) Describe alternative regulatory schemes and the costs associated with those schemes. Provide the reasons for their dismissal.

No alternative regulatory schemes were considered.

(24) Are there any provisions that are more stringent than federal standards? If yes, identify the specific provisions and the compelling Pennsylvania interest that demands stronger regulation.

There are no applicable federal standards governing the use of Roadside Rest Areas or Welcome Centers.

(25) How does this regulation compare with those of other states? Will the regulation put Pennsylvania at a competitive disadvantage with other states?

This regulation will not put Pennsylvania at a competitive disadvantage vis a vis other states.

(26) Will the regulation affect existing or proposed regulations of the promulgating agency or other state agencies? If yes, explain and provide specific citations.

These amendments will not affect other Department regulations or the regulations of any other Commonwealth agency.

(27) Will any public hearings or informal meetings be scheduled? Please provide the dates, times and locations, if available.

No public hearings on these amendments are scheduled at this time. Should public comment on these proposed amendments warrant, public hearings may be held.

(28) Will the regulation change existing reporting, record keeping, or other paperwork requirements? Describe the changes and attach copies of forms or reports which will be required as a result of implementation, if available.

The regulation does not involve or require any reporting, record keeping or other paperwork.

(29) Please list any special provisions which have been developed to meet the particular needs of affected groups or persons including, but not limited to, minorities, elderly, small businesses, and farmers.

There are no special provisions in these regulations designed to meet the particular needs of

affected groups or persons including, but not limited to, minorities, elderly, small businesses, and farmers.

(30) What is the anticipated effective date of the regulation; the date by which compliance with the regulation will be required; and the date by which any required permits, licenses or other approvals must be obtained?

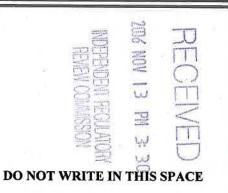
These amendments will become effective upon publication in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

(31) Provide the schedule for continual review of the regulation.

These provisions will be reviewed periodically as appropriate.

# FACE SHEET FOR FILING DOCUMENTS WITH THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

(Pursuant to Commonwealth Documents Law)



Copy below is hereby approved as to form and legality.  Attorney General.  By:  (Deputy Attorney General)  NOV 08 2006  Date of Approval	Copy of below is hereby certified to be true and correct copy of a document issued, prescribed or promulgated by:  Department of Transportation (Agency)	Copy below is hereby approved as to from and legality. Executive or Independent Agencies  Andrew C. Clark  OCT 1 9 2006  (Date of Approval)
	DOCUMENT/FISCAL NOTE NO. 18-408  DATE OF ADOPTION	(Deputy General Counsel) (Chief Counsel, Independent Agency) (Strike Inapplicable Title)
☐ Check if applicable Copy not approved. Objections attached.	BY <u>Aller D Bealler</u> Secretary of Transportation	☐ Check if applicable. No attorney General Approval or Objection within 30 days after submission.

TITLE 67. TRANSPORTATION

PART I. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CHAPTER 443. ROADSIDE REST AREAS

**Proposed Rulemaking** 

TITLE 67. TRANSPORTATION

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**CHAPTER 443. ROADSIDE REST AREAS** 

**Notice of Proposed Rulemaking** 

Preamble

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Transportation, pursuant to the

authority contained in Sections 8 of the Act of June 7, 1961, (P.L. 257, No 151) as

amended (36 P.S. § 478.18), proposes to amend Chapter 443 of the Department of

Transportation Regulations, Pa. Code, Title 67, as set forth in Annex A to this Notice.

Purpose of Chapter

This purpose of this Chapter is to set forth rules to ensure the comfort,

convenience, cleanliness, health and safety of those members of the traveling public

utilizing roadside rest areas and facilities.

Purpose of the Proposed Amendments

The purpose of these amendments to Chapter 443 is to provide greater detail in

the description of conditions and activities not permitted at roadside rest areas and

facilities.

Summary of Significant Amendments

Section 443.1 (Purpose and policy) and 443.2 have been amended to include more

specific definitions of activities or actions which are prohibited at Roadside Rest Areas

and Welcome Centers.

Persons and Entities Affected

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These regulations affect all members of the general motoring public who stop at Roadside Rest Areas and Welcome Centers.

#### Fiscal Impact

Implementation of these regulations will not require the expenditure of any additional funds by the Commonwealth or local municipalities.

#### Regulatory Review

Under Section 5(a) of the Regulatory Review Act, the Act of June 25, 1982 (P.L. 633, No. 181), as amended, 71 P.S. § 745.5(a), the agency submitted a copy of these proposed regulations, on November 13, 2006 to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission and to the Chairpersons of the House and Senate Transportation Committees. In addition to submitting the regulations, the agency has provided the Commission and the Committees with a copy of a detailed Regulatory Analysis Form. A copy of this material is available to the public upon request.

Under Section 5(g) of the Regulatory Review Act, IRRC may convey any comments, recommendations or objections to the proposed regulations within 30 days of the close of the public comment period. The comments, recommendations or objections shall specify the regulatory review criteria that have not been met. The Act specifies detailed procedures for review, prior to final publication of the regulation, by the Department, the General Assembly and the Governor of comments recommendation, or objections.

#### Sunset Provisions

The Department of Transportation will make these regulations effective upon publication in final form following appropriate evaluation of any comments, suggestions

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or objections received during the period allowed for public comment. The Department is

not establishing a sunset date for these regulations, since these regulations are needed to

administer provisions required pursuant to the Vehicle Code (75 Pa. C.S. 1.01, et seq.).

The Department, however, will continue to closely monitor these regulations for their

effectiveness.

**Public Comments** 

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, suggestions, or

objections regarding the proposed amendments to the regulations to Jack Christensen,

Chief, Facilities Management Division, Bureau of Office Services, 400 North Street - 5th

Floor, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 within 30 days of the publication of this notice in

the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Contact Person

The contact person for technical questions about the proposed amendments to the

regulations is Robert Kleimenhagen, Jr., Central Region Facilities Administrator,

Facilities Management Division, Bureau of Office Services, 400 North Street - 5th Floor,

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 telephone number: (717) 787-7002.

Allen D. Biehler, P.E.

Secretary of Transportation

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#### Annex A

#### TITLE 67. TRANSPORTATION

# PART I. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### CHAPTER 443. ROADSIDE REST AREAS

### § 443.1. Purpose and policy.

- (a) This chapter is promulgated for the purpose of providing comfortable, convenience, clean, attractive and safe places for the general motoring public and to set forth rules to insure the maximum comfort, convenience, cleanliness, health and safety of those members of the general public using the facilities.
- (b) This chapter applies to all rest areas administered by the Department, including those containing information centers for the traveling public, i.e. Welcome Centers.
- (c) This chapter is intended to limit activities and actions in roadside rest areas to those that are consistent with the purpose of the facilities.

# § 443.2. Prohibited activities or actions.

The following specified activities or actions shall be prohibited in roadside rest areas:

- (1) Driving or parking of a vehicle in areas other than those provided. <u>Drivers shall</u> obey all posted traffic signs and markings.
- (2) Parking or standing of a vehicle for more than 2 hours in a single 24-hour period or in excess of the posted time limit. Vehicles unattended for more than 24 hours will be considered abandoned and subject to removal and storage at the sole cost and expense of the owner.

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- (3) Defacing or damaging buildings or other facilities[.], skateboarding, rollerblading, skating, biking or sledding; riding of all-terrain vehicles, or smoking in areas designated as "No Smoking".
- (4) Igniting or maintaining fires for heating or cooking equipment, except in areas or facilities designed for the purpose [.], camping overnight or setting up a tent, sleeping anywhere but in a legally parked vehicle, or remaining anywhere but in a legally parked vehicle for more than two hours.
- (5) Depositing or disposing of refuse or waste, except picnic waste and contents of vehicle litter bags, which shall be deposited only in areas or containers provided [therefore] for that purpose. Disposing of camping, sewage, or household refuse in [this area] these areas is prohibited.
- (6) Consumption of alcoholic beverages[.], or the use, possession or delivery of controlled substances.
- (7) Discharging or shooting of firearms or bows and arrows[, and], hunting or fishing [.], or parking of vehicles for the purpose of hunting or fishing outside of the rest area.
- (8) Maintenance or repairing of vehicles <u>or attachments to vehicles</u> oil changes, filter replacements, draining of coolants, washing vehicles [,] <u>or attachments to vehicles</u>, motor disassembly or assembly and the like except in emergencies.
- (9) Release of pets <u>or unloading of livestock</u>. Animals on leashes shall be permitted only in areas designated as pet area, <u>except for Seeing-Eye or Service Dogs which are permitted anywhere.</u>
  - (10) Picking, breaking, damaging or abuse of plants or vegetation or parts thereof.
  - (11) Use of the area or facilities for bathing or washing of garments or clothing.

(12) Sale of a product or conduct of other commercial activity, except [in emergencies] when the Department authorizes, by written agreement, vending and communication facilities in areas within limited access right of way, or vending, communication facilities, and other

commercial activities serving the needs of the traveling public in areas outside limited access

right of way.

(13) Driving a motor vehicle in excess of 25 miles per hour, except on entrance or exit

ramps.

(14) Use of the area or facilities when closed for the season or for any other reason.

(15) Engaging in loud, boisterous or abusive conduct or engaging in or soliciting lewd or

lascivious conduct, including, but not limited to, sexual intercourse, indecent exposure, open

lewdness or prostitution.

(16) Use of the area or facilities for special events, except for free "Coffee Break" events

and similar non-profit activities for the traveling public when approved by the Department

and on such terms and conditions as it shall deem appropriate.

(17) Any other activity that interferes with the proper functioning of the rest area for the

purposes set forth in § 443.1 (relating to purpose and policy), including soliciting, harassing,

intimidating, or coercing travelers; impeding the movement of persons or interrupting traffic

flow; picketing, demonstrating, or performing oration or similar expressive activities; and

distributing written materials without the written agreement of the Department.

§ 443.3. Additional prohibited activities or actions on noninterstate highways.

'In addition to the activities prohibited in § 443.2 (relating to prohibited activities or actions),

parking of commercial vehicles or the parking of a vehicle between dusk and dawn is prohibited

in roadside rest areas along noninterstate highways [.], unless otherwise posted by the Department.



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November 13, 2006

Kim Kaufman, Executive Director Independent Regulatory Review Commission 14<sup>th</sup> Floor Harristown 2 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re:

**Proposed Rulemaking** 

Regulation # 18-408, 67 Pa. Code Chapter 443 —

Roadside Rest Areas

Dear Mr. Kaufman:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Face Sheet, Preamble, Annex A and Regulatory Analysis Form for the amendment of Chapter 443 of Title 67 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Code, which the Department of Transportation intends to adopt in accordance with the provisions of Section 204 of the Commonwealth Documents Law, Act of July 31, 1968, P.L. 769, 45 P.S. § 1204.

Copies of these materials were also delivered today to the majority and minority chairpersons of the Pennsylvania House and Senate Transportation Committees. The proposed rulemaking was also provided to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the November 25, 2006 issue of the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

The Department of Transportation will provide you with any assistance you require to facilitate a thorough review of this regulation. Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours.

Stephen F. J. Martin

Regulatory Counsel

cc: Lois Hein, Governor's Office of the Budget w/o attachments
Judith Bailets, Staff Assistant, Governor's Policy Office w/o attachments
Glenda Davidson, OGC Regulatory Coordinator w/o attachments
Eric Madden, Director, Department of Transportation Policy Office

w/o attachments

# TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR REGULATIONS SUBJECT TO THE REGULATORY REVIEW ACT

I.D. NUMBER:

#18-408

SUBJECT:

Roadside Rest Areas

67 Pa. Code, Chapter 443

AGENCY:

Department of Transportation

# TYPE OF REGULATION

Х Proposed Regulation

Final Regulation

Final Regulation with Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Omitted

120-day Emergency Certification of the Attorney General

120-day Emergency Certification of the Governor

#### FILING OF REGULATION

DESIGNATION SIGNATURE DATE SENATE COMMITTEE ON for Majority Chair TRANSPORTATION for Minority Chair HOUSE COMMITTEE ON for Majority Chair TRANSPORTATION for Minority Chair INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE **BUREAU** November 13, 2006 Date: