INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held October 21, 2021

George D. Bedwick, Chairman John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman John J. Soroko, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 74-4 (#3294)
Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs
Standards for Drug and Alcohol Recovery
House Licensure

On October 1, 2021, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (Department). This rulemaking adds 28 Pa. Code Chapter 717. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, with the exception of 28 Pa. Code § 717.14, which will become effective 180 days after publication. At its July 15, 2021 public meeting, the Commission voted to disapprove the final-omitted regulation. On October 1, 2021, the Department submitted its report containing the revised final-form regulation to the Commission.

This final-omitted regulation adopts licensure standards for drug and alcohol recovery houses that receive funds or referrals from the Department, or a federal, state or county agency. The regulation includes personnel management, physical plant standards, safety and emergency procedures, complaint management, fiscal management and resident rights.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (71 P.S. § 613.13) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.