

Provide Regulatory Relief to Education Stakeholders

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Theme: Education, Training, Employment and Social Services

Overview

Goal Statement

- By September 30, 2019, the Department will reduce the regulatory burden on education stakeholders by submitting to OMB no less than 25 deregulatory actions (against a baseline of zero (0) for FY 2015 and 2016).

Challenge

- The Department intends to reduce regulatory burden on stakeholders through review, rescission, and modification of outdated, burdensome regulations and guidance.

Opportunity

- Overly burdensome regulatory requirements can adversely affect the nation's ability to prepare students for the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century.
- Reducing regulatory burden, including financial cost, on States, school districts, and schools, as well as other stakeholders, will help empower parents, local communities, and students to achieve their educational goals and career ambitions.

Leadership

Core Team: Regulatory Reform Task Force (RRTF), comprised of senior career and political leadership across the Department and led by the Regulatory Reform Officer and Regulatory Policy Officer. The Goal Leader (Robert Eitel) and Deputy Goal Leader (Elizabeth McFadden) serve as co-chairs of the RRTF.

Goal Structure & Strategies

The goal is a 2-year goal covering FY 2018 and FY 2019.

The goal will be achieved through a comprehensive review of the Department's regulations and guidance to identify those that are overly burdensome, inconsistent with Administration priorities, unnecessary, outdated or ineffective. Based on that review, the Department will determine whether such regulations or guidance need to be modified or rescinded and will then take appropriate action consistent with applicable law.

For FY 2018, the Department intends to submit no fewer than 15 deregulatory actions to OMB.

For FY 2019, the Department intends to submit no fewer than 10 deregulatory actions to OMB.

Following submission of such actions to OMB and completion of review by OMB, the Department would then publish such deregulatory actions.

Summary of Progress – FY 18 Q1

In early October 2017, the Department announced the rescission of approximately 600 guidance documents that are outdated or have been superseded.

The Department has identified in its Fall 2017 Unified Agenda, published on December 14, 2017, a number of rescissions of regulations. This first group involves outdated regulations that are no longer supported by statute or appropriations. Relevant offices in the Department are currently drafting notices for such deregulatory actions and one office has placed its notice into internal Department clearance.

Key Milestones

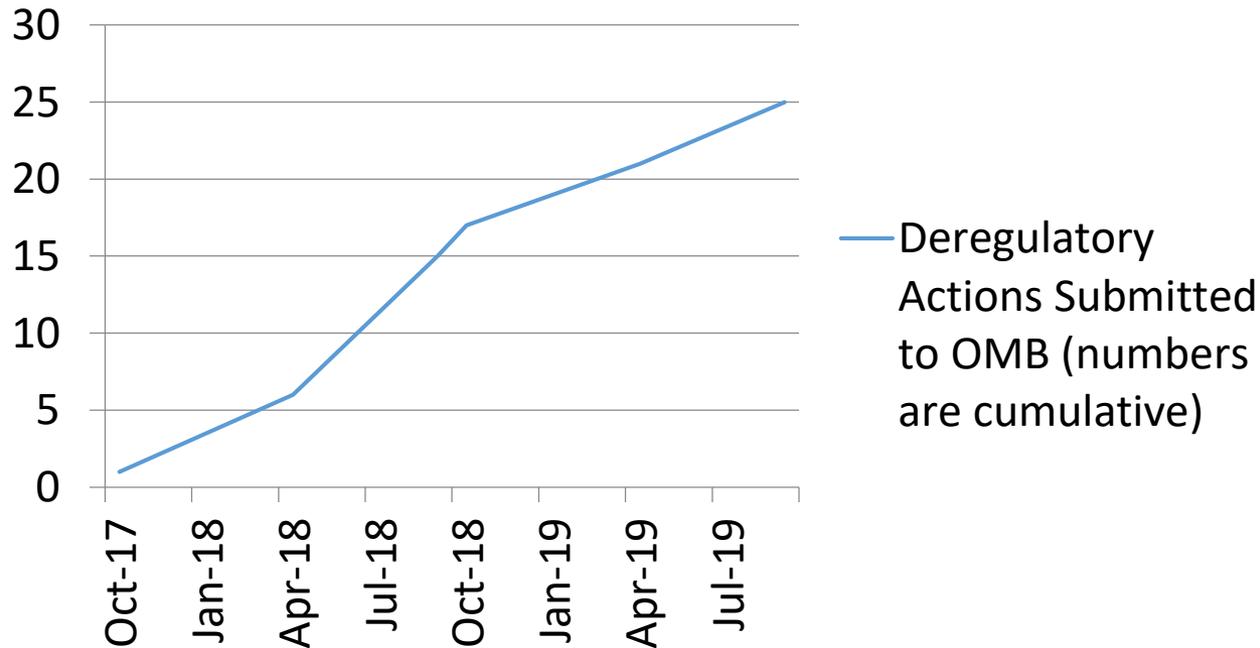
The deregulatory actions described on the previous slide are scheduled to occur over FY 2018 and FY 2019.

Milestone Summary					
Key Milestone	Milestone Due Date	Milestone Status	Change from last quarter	Owner	Comments
Publication of Spring 2018 Unified Agenda	April/May 2018	On-Track			Timing is determined by OMB.
Publication of Fall Unified Agenda and Regulatory Plan	Nov/Dec 2018	On-Track			Timing is determined by OMB.
Submission of Regulatory Review Task Force (RTTF) Report to Secretary	April/May 2018	On-Track			
Publication of Spring 2019 Unified Agenda	April/May 2019	On-Track			Timing is determined by OMB.
Publication of Fall 2019 Unified Agenda and Regulatory Plan	Nov/Dec 2019	On-Track			Timing is determined by OMB.
Submission of RRTF Report to Secretary	April/May 2018	On-Track			
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Key Indicators

The graph below represents the performance targets that the Department will measure progress against in FY 2018 and FY 2019.

Deregulatory Actions Submitted to OMB (numbers are cumulative)



Data Accuracy and Reliability

Submissions to OMB will be reflected in reginfo.gov or through electronic communications with OMB. We do not anticipate any data reliability concerns or other limitations.

Additional Information

Contributing Programs

All offices within the Department support this APG as it is directly related to Strategic Goal 4 and Strategic Objective 4.1. The Department will be collaborating with OMB on the submissions and review of deregulatory actions.

Stakeholder / Congressional Consultations

In addition to the Department-wide *Federal Register* notice seeking public comment, several Principal Offices have asked for the views of the stakeholders especially relevant to their offices in a variety of ways. The [October 2017 status report](#) provides a summary of these activities.

Additionally, the Department conducted Congressional consultation as part of the development of its FY 2018-22 Strategic Plan and the FY 2018-19 APGs.