



Dear Stakeholder,

The following information is being provided pursuant to the requirements of Executive Order 2011-01K and Senate Bill 2 of the 129th General Assembly, which require state agencies, including the Ohio Department of Taxation, to draft rules in collaboration with stakeholders, assess and justify an adverse impact on the business community (as defined by S.B. 2), and provide an opportunity for the affected public to provide input on the rules.

Section 5703.059 of the Ohio Revised Code permits the tax commissioner to adopt rules requiring the electronic filing of returns. Proposed Rule 5703-7-20 of the Ohio Administrative Code defines “electronic software provider,” establishes the commissioner’s criteria for approving an electronic software provider for participation in electronic filing programs and describes when the commissioner may rescind such approval. You can view the proposed rule, along with the Business Impact Analysis (BIA) instrument, [here](#).

If you wish to comment on the proposed rule or the BIA, please send your comments to the [Department of Taxation and the Common Sense Initiative Office](#) by July 18, 2014.

Thank you,

The Ohio Department of Taxation