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Secretary of State

**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT**

An Economic Impact Statement is required for this proposed rule by Section 25-43-3.105 of the Administrative Procedures Act. An Economic Impact Statement must be attached to this Form and address the factors below. A PDF document containing this executed Form and the Economic Impact Statement must be filed with any proposed rule, if required by the aforementioned statute.

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ADDRESS P.O. Box 1609	CITY Jackson	STATE Mississippi
EMAIL paige@mdac.ms.gov	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF PROPOSED RULE Mississippi Farmers Market (Central Market Board) Rules and Regulations	
Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: <i>Miss. Code Ann. §§69-1-1 et seq. &amp; 69-7-109</i>	Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: Rule 104 Operating Guidelines	

SIGNATURE 	TITLE Deputy Commissioner
DATE 12/2/2013	PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE 1/31/2014

1. Describe the need for the proposed action: The proposed action will better clarify a current regulation regarding the engagement of protest and public demonstrations by the public on the grounds of the Mississippi Farmers Market. The amendment defines the distance from the building that demonstrations can occur, maximum number of demonstrators, and sign restrictions.
2. Describe the benefits which will likely accrue as the result of the proposed action: The revised regulation will add clarity to an existing regulation and will address procedures of how the Mississippi Farmers Market will deal with request to hold public demonstrations on state property. The amendment will allow for freedom of speech while not infringing on shoppers.
3. Describe the effect the proposed action will have on the public health, safety, and welfare: The proposed actions will make demonstrating at the Farmers Market safer.
4. Estimate the cost to the agency and to any other state or local government entities, of implementing and enforcing the proposed action, including the estimated amount of paperwork, and any anticipated effect on state or local revenues: There will be no cost to the agency or to any

government entities, nor any increase in paperwork. There will be no anticipated effect on state or local revenues.

5. Estimate the cost or economic benefit to all persons directly affected by the proposed action: There are no related costs or economic benefits to all persons directly affected by the proposed action.
6. Provide an analysis of the impact of the proposed rule on small business: This proposed rule will not impact small businesses.
  - a. Identify and estimate the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation: 0
  - b. Provide the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record: No compliance costs will be incurred.
  - c. State the probable effect on impacted small businesses: No impact.
  - d. Describe any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation including the following regulatory flexibility analysis:
    - i. The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
    - ii. The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
    - iii. The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
    - iv. The establishment of performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational standards required in the proposed regulation; and
    - v. The exemption of some or all small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed regulations: There are no less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the regulation, as the amendment will not cost anything to the persons affected.
7. Compare the costs and benefits of the proposed rule to the probable costs and benefits of not adopting the proposed rule or significantly amending an existing rule: The cost of adopting or not adopting is zero.
8. Determine whether less costly methods or less intrusive methods exist for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule where reasonable alternative methods exist which are not precluded by law: Less costly methods or less intrusive methods do not exist for achieving the purpose of the amendment.
9. Describe reasonable alternative methods, where applicable, for achieving the purpose of the proposed action which were considered by the agency: None.
10. State reasons for rejecting alternative methods that were described in #9 above: N/A
11. Provide a detailed statement of the data and methodology used in making estimates required by this subsection: No data was used. Methodology was common sense.