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This interim final rule with comment period (IFC) codifies the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) authority to impose a temporary moratorium pausing the registration of agents and brokers that do not have a current Plan Year registration with the Federally- facilitated Exchanges at the time the moratorium is effective and are seeking to enter into Exchange agreements with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to assist consumers with enrollment through the Federally-facilitated Exchange (FFE) and State-based Exchanges that use the Federal platform (SBE-FPs) (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Federally-facilitated Exchanges"). HHS is issuing this rule on an interim final basis. For the reasons explained in this rule, HHS finds good cause under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) to waive prior notice and comment because providing advance notice would be contrary to the public interest and impracticable. HHS further finds good cause under the APA for this rule to become effective immediately upon publication. HHS nevertheless invites public comment and will consider comments in determining whether to retain, modify, or rescind the codified autho

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