Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4765-20-02

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Qualifications for a firefighter certificate.

Agency Name: State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services

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I. Rule Summary

- 1. Is this a five year rule review? Yes
 - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 10/26/2023
- 2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
- 3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119.03
- 4. What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 4765.55
- 5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 4765.55
- 6. Does the rule implement a federal law or rule in a manner that is more stringent or burdensome than the federal law or regulation requires? No
 - A. If so, what is the citation to the federal law or rule? Not Applicable
- 7. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

This rule is being is being filed according to a R.C. 106.03 periodic rule review, and to refer applicants for fire certification to the appropriate application packet and/or course packet for basic qualifications.

8. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

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OAC Rule 4765-20-02 sets forth the qualifications that an applicant shall meet in order to obtain a certificate of firefighter training. Criteria include courses on hazardous materials awareness and operations and emergency vehicle operations. The rule sets forth the required examinations and the deadlines for completing them. Prohibitions against criminal convictions, fraud, misrepresentation, and material deception are described.

O.A.C. 4765-20-02 is amended to direct applicants to the appropriate application and course packets for their preferred level of fire certification, which are made available at the Division of EMS website.

- 9. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? Yes
- 10. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.75, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.

OAC rule 4765-20-02 incorporates the "Firefighter, Fire Safety Inspector, or Hazard Recognition Officer Initial Application," "Emergency Vehicle Operations Course Packet," "Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Course Packet," and "Volunteer Firefighter Course Packet."

Course packets are available at the Division of EMS website, https://ems.ohio.gov/forms-and-applications. Initial applications are made available through an online portal accessed at chartered fire training programs by an applicant who has been verified by a program director as meeting all training requirements to apply for certification.

11. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

12. Please estimate the increase / decrease in the agency's revenues or expenditures in the current biennium due to this rule.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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Not Applicable

13. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?

Not Applicable

- 14. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No
- 15. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No
- 16. If the rule imposes a regulation fee, explain how the fee directly relates to your agency's cost in regulating the individual or business.

Not Applicable

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

- 17. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? No
- 18. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? No
 - A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? No
 - B. Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No
 - C. Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? No
 - D. Is it likely that the rule will directly reduce the revenue or increase the expenses of the lines of business of which it will apply or applies? No
- IV. Regulatory Restriction Requirements under S.B. 9. Note: This section only applies to agencies described in R.C. 121.95(A).

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19. Are you adding a new or removing an existing regulatory restriction as defined in R.C. 121.95? No

A. How many new regulatory restrictions do you propose adding to this rule?

Not Applicable

B. How many existing regulatory restrictions do you propose removing from this rule?

Not Applicable

C. If you are not removing existing regulatory restrictions from this rule, please list the rule number(s) from which you are removing restrictions.

Not Applicable

D. Please justify the adoption of the new regulatory restriction(s).

Not Applicable