

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4765-20-11

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Firefighter continuing education.

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

Division:

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

OAC Rule 4765-20-11 sets forth the continuing education requirements needed for a firefighter to renew a firefighter certificate. This rule includes provisions for firefighter certificate holders who are not affiliated with an Ohio fire department or those who reside outside of Ohio, to have continuing education recognized to comply with renewal requirements. This rule specifies that training received from the National Fire Academy, Fire Department Instructors Conference, Fire-Rescue International, and National Domestic Preparedness Consortium may be used to fulfill the continuing education requirements. The rule prohibits earning credit for continuing education (CE) for routine duties, prohibits a person from earning more than twelve hours of CE training in one calendar day, and prohibits a person from earning CE for the identical online training class taken more than once per calendar year. The rule sets forth the criteria for extensions of time to complete firefighter CE education, record keeping requirements, and military provisions related to firefighter CE.

O.A.C. 4765-20-11 is revised to reduce the hours of CE required for renewal, to add the Fire Code Academy as an approved source of CE, and to streamline restrictions in earning CE.

9. **Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No**
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.**

Not Applicable

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).

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