

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4765-20-14

Rule Type: Rescission

Rule Title/Tagline: Continuing education option to upgrade a volunteer firefighter to a firefighter I.

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?** 9/21/2017
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. **What are the reasons for proposing the rule?**

The rule is proposed to be rescinded and a new rule adopted in its place. These rules are being filed as part of a comprehensive five-year rule review and reorganization of the fire training rules in agency 4765 of the OAC, at the request of stakeholders. OAC chapters governing fire charters, fire service and fire instructor training, professional standards, and discipline are proposed to be made consecutive chapters in OAC 4765, and a chapter including definitions and items incorporated by reference as two separate rules has been added. At the request of Ohio's fire service, represented by the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association, the Ohio State Firefighters Association, and the Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters, proposed revisions add language creating a

live fire instructor (LFI) certification and a hazard recognition officer (HRO) certification and address emergency vehicle operations training and curriculum hours. Working with the Ohio Department of Education and chartered high school training programs, revisions have been made to improve the success rate of students enrolled in high school fire training programs.

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

This rule sets forth a continuing education option to upgrade a volunteer firefighter to a firefighter I through completion of a firefighter I transition course. The hours completed through the firefighter I transition course may count towards those required for renewal of the volunteer firefighter certificate. The rule identifies the firefighter I transition course content as meeting volunteer firefighter continuing education requirements

8. **Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No**
9. **If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.71 to 121.76, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.**

Not Applicable

10. **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

11. **As a result of this proposed rule, please estimate the increase / decrease in revenues or expenditures affecting this agency, or the state generally, in the current biennium or future years. If the proposed rule is likely to have a different fiscal effect in future years, please describe the expected difference and operation.**

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

13. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No

14. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

15. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? No

16. 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