

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4765-7-02

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Accreditation of Ohio EMS training programs.

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?** 8/29/2023
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?** 4765.11
5. **What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify?** 4765.16, 4765.17
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 filed according to a R.C. 106.03 periodic rule review, and to simplify the comment related to the incorporated by reference rule, revise the title of a form, update the categories of discrimination prohibited as a basis for accepting students, add to program requirements, and update to current electronic reporting standards.

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

Rule 4765-7-02 sets forth the provisions for issuing a certificate of accreditation and includes information about the application to be submitted. The rule sets forth requirements for Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) accreditation for Ohio accredited institutions seeking to provide paramedic training programs. The rule refers readers to the incorporated by reference rule. Rule 4765-7-02 is amended to simplify the comment related to the incorporated by reference rule, revise the title of a form, update the categories of discrimination prohibited as a basis for accepting students, correct the spelling of "prehospital," and add "deadlines" for obtaining a certificate to practice" as information a training program must provide to a student. The rule also amends paragraph (D)(4) to replace submitting a report with entering required data into the Division of EMS course management system.

- 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 4765-7-02 incorporates the form "Certificate of Accreditation Application" (February, 2014) or form EMS 1652. To comply with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code, this rule refers readers to OAC rule 4765-1-03, which provides the editions and dates of the materials and the website addresses where the information may be accessed.

"Certificate of Accreditation Application" is published at the EMS "Forms & Applications" website at: <http://www.ems.ohio.gov/forms.aspx>.

- 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?

The costs incurred by the EMS accredited institutions (stakeholders) will vary depending on the affiliations of the EMS accredited institution and the levels of training being offered. Those institutions not changing any certification levels will see minimal if any additional costs, except for natural increases in administrative costs. Those institutions adding additional certification levels will see cost increases, as they may need to add additional instructional, administrative, and equipment resources.

*Significant costs could be associated with institutions requesting to become a paramedic training center due to the costs associated with the national accreditation application process. The estimated annual cost to an accredited institution for continued compliance is an annual fee of \$1,700 and approximately \$3,450 in additional costs every five years to complete the CAAHEP reaccreditation process. These costs are charged and collected by CoAEMSP.

SOURCE: Ohio Division of EMS Education & Testing section

*Costs obtained from CoAEMSP at <http://www.coaemsp.org/Fees.htm>

The CoAEMSP website was reviewed on May 4, 2023 to determine the initial and renewal costs of compliance.

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? Yes

18. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes

- A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? Yes**

This rule requires a certification of accreditation authorized by the State Board of Emergency medical, Fire, and Transportation Services (EMFTS) for entities operating EMS training programs.

- 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? Yes**

Entities seeking to operate EMS training programs are required to submit a "Certificate of Accreditation Application."

Entities seeking accreditation as a new paramedic training program after January 1, 2018, are required to provide additional information, including an application submitted to Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) for a letter of review and an application to the board for provisional status as accredited.

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- 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