NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Date:March 5, 2014Time:10:30 a.m.Location:Ohio Department of Public Safety1970 West Broad Street, Room 134Columbus, Ohio 43223

The Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of soliciting comments on the following rules proposed for adoption to Chapter 4501-21 of the Ohio Administrative Code entitled, "Remedial Driving Courses." These rules are being filed to implement statutory changes set forth in SB19 of the 129th General Assembly that incorporate advanced juvenile driver improvement into the remedial driving course programs.

4501-21-01 (Definitions) defines terms that are used throughout Chapter 4501-21. Proposed amendments add terms pertaining to advanced juvenile driver improvement and address materials incorporated by reference in Chapter 4501-21.

4501-21-02 (Scope) provides the scope of the rules in Chapter 4501-21. The proposed amendment adds advanced juvenile driver improvement to the scope.

4501-21-04 (Character and fitness) sets forth the character and fitness requirements for all persons associated with a remedial course enterprise. Proposed amendments add "chief instructor" as a person who must meet fitness and character requirements, require the authorizing official of a remedial course to provide information on legal proceedings filed against a remedial course, and include the convictions of "any person" associated with the remedial course to be grounds for denying, suspending, or revoking approvals or applications.

4501-21-05 (Application for and renewal of remedial driving course approval) sets forth the application and required additional documents for the department to approve a remedial course. Proposed amendments provide application requirements for approval to offer advanced juvenile driver improvement including proof of insurance and training and address material incorporated by reference.

4501-21-06 (Course curriculum) provides course curriculum and instructional requirements for remedial courses. Proposed amendments set forth requirements for advanced juvenile driver improvement and address materials incorporated by reference.

4501-21-08 (Advertising and soliciting business) restricts business advertising prior to program approval. The proposed amendment adds advanced juvenile driver improvement to the rule.

4501-21-13 (Classrooms) sets forth training requirements for remedial course managers, chief instructors, and instructors, as well as requirements for classroom facilities and course evaluations/examinations. Proposed amendments set forth provisions for continuing education, examinations for advance juvenile driver improvement, and address materials incorporated by reference.

4501-21-15 (Ranges, vehicles, and insurance for advanced juvenile driver improvement programs). This new rule sets forth the range requirements for advanced juvenile driver improvement programs including the dimensions, run-off areas, and pavement conditions for the range, as well as insurance and equipment requirements.

Any persons affected by the proposed adoption of these rules may appear at the hearing and be heard in person, or by an attorney, or both, or may present their position, argument, or contention in writing. Persons may offer and examine witnesses and present evidence to show that the proposed rules will be unreasonable or unlawful if enacted.

The proposed rules may be accessed electronically via the Office of Criminal Justice Services website at <u>http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/ocjs_rules_notices.stm</u>.

Requests for copies of the proposed rules and/or public comments may be submitted in person or by mail at the following address: Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Legal Services, Suite 531C, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223, Telephone: (614) 466-5605.