

Notice of hearing to
to amend Rules 4501-21-01, -05, -06, -12, -13, and -14
of the Ohio Administrative Code in accordance with
Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held by the Ohio Department of Public Safety for the purpose of considering adoption of the above-listed proposed administrative rules.

Based on the recent enactment of House Bill 67 (127th GA) and review of Chapter 4501-21 of the Ohio Administrative Code, and as authorized in Sections 4501.02, 4510.311, 4510.037, 4510.038, and 5502.011 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Public Safety proposes to amend Rules 4501-21-01, -05, -06, -12, -13, and -14 of the Ohio Administrative Code regarding remedial driving courses.

Proposed amendments are for clarification and enhancement and to implement provisions of House Bill 67 (127th GA) which requires, in part, that at least fifty per cent of an adult remedial driving course curriculum be delivered to a student through classroom instruction. For approval of a course that includes some technology-based methods for training students, the amended rules include a requirement for submittal of written policies and procedures for obtaining and verifying successful student completion of the portion of the course completed through technology-based methods and submittal of a plan to transfer such student completion data directly to the classroom course provider. Proposed rule changes also include requirements that the classroom course provider provide administration and scoring of the final examination, that examination retakes be limited from two to one, that the classroom course provider verify completion of the approved eight hours of training, and that the classroom course provider issue the certificate of completion on a certificate provided by the Department of Public Safety via the online certificate system. Proposed changes also include the requirement that such training be completed within thirty days of the initial start date and that after thirty days, the student be required to begin the course again, and the requirements that the classroom provider pre-register each student, verify the identification of each student, and issue the student a unique user ID and password that provide the student with access to the online portion of the course. Another proposed change requires that during the technology-based methods for training, students answer at least ten course validation questions per hour of technology-delivered curriculum provided.

A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held Friday, September 28, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in room 134 (first floor) of the Charles D. Shipley Building, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Either written or oral testimony will be received at the hearing. Additionally, written comments received at the address below before the hearing will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on them should be submitted in person or by mail to the following address: Office of Legal Services, Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Suite 531, P.O. Box 182081, Columbus, Ohio 43218-2081, Telephone: (614) 466-7014.