

**Notice of Decision to Take Action
On Proposed Regulation**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Department of Administrative Services hereby gives notice of its decision to proceed with the proposed regulations concerning the classes of certification and standards of qualifications for local fire marshals, deputy fire marshals, fire inspectors, and other local fire officials. Notice of intent to adopt these regulations was posted to the regulations webpage of the Secretary of the State on November 14, 2014.

DAS held a public hearing on December 13, 2014, and accepted comments to solicit public input regarding the proposed regulations. Although the hearing was held at the request of an organization with more than 15 members, no one testified at the hearing. Based on written comments received by the agency, DAS has revised the original proposed regulations to further clarify the intent.

As required by the Freedom of Information Act and Section 4-168(d), the report of comments and responses is available for download or review on the Office of the State Fire Marshal's section of the agency's website at:

www.ct.gov/dcs

and is available for copy or review by contacting:

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations

In accordance with the provisions of section 4-168 of the Connecticut General Statutes and pursuant to section 29-298 of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Department of Administrative Services proposes to amend regulations concerning the classes of certification and standards of qualifications for local fire marshals, deputy fire marshals, fire inspectors, and other local fire officials.

Statement of purpose: Pursuant to Public Act 04-137, the revised regulations reflect the elimination of the eligible to be certified step in the certification process of local fire officials. Effective October 1, 2014, an individual who meets the newly added prerequisites detailed in statute and passes the exam will be certified by the state. Whether such person is ever appointed to a local position will have no effect on their certification.

A copy of the complete text of the regulation, including the small business impact statement and fiscal estimate, is available at no cost upon request from the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Construction Services, Legal Services Division, 165 Capitol Avenue, Suite 445, Hartford, CT 06106, attention: Jenna Padula, Staff Attorney, or from jenna.padula@ct.gov.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments, views or arguments in connection with the proposed action within 30 days following publication of this notice on the Secretary of State's regulations webpage to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Construction Services, Legal Services Division, 165 Capitol Avenue, Suite 445, Hartford, CT 06106, attention: Jenna Padula, Staff Attorney, or to jenna.padula@ct.gov. A hearing will be scheduled on the proposed regulation if requested by 15 persons, by a governmental subdivision or an agency or by an association having not less than 15 members, if notice of the request is received by the Department not later than 14 days after the date of posting of the notice by the Secretary of the State.

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing is scheduled to be held on December 22, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. The public hearing will be held at the Department of Administrative Services, State Office Building, Room G-32, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106. Speakers are requested, although not required, to submit a written copy of their comments.