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Dear Stakeholder:

You are invited to offer public comment as outlined in this notice regarding proposed changes to Chapter 4765-9 of the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.) entitled "Ethical Standards of Conduct." This chapter sets forth the professional standards of conduct required of individuals issued a certificate to practice as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or paramedic or a certificate to teach through an EMS accredited institution or an EMS approved institution.

You are receiving this message pursuant to the requirements of Executive Order 2011-011K and Senate Bill 2 of the 129th General Assembly, which require state agencies, including the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), to draft rules in collaboration with stakeholders, assess and justify any adverse impact on the business community (as defined by Senate Bill 2), and provide opportunity for interested parties to submit feedback regarding proposed rules.

Pursuant to its completed Revised Code (R.C.) section 119.032 five-year rule review, EMS amended O.A.C. 4765-9-01 and 4765-9-02 to update the language referring to discrimination, to clearly identify the rules within O.A.C. 4765 related to emergency medicine and exclude the rules related to fire service, and to make the provisions less vague based on cases investigated while these rules have been in effect.

Further, EMS proposes to include O.A.C. Chapter 4765-8 entitled Certificate to Teach or Practice; Continuing Education in the rule package, with the twelve rules in O.A.C. Chapter 4765-8 filed as No Change rules.

The proposed rules and link to submit comments may be accessed electronically via EMS' small business regulatory website at http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/ems_rules.stm at the heading "Draft Rules Open for Public Comment."

All interested parties are invited to offer public comment at EMS.rules@dps.ohio.gov regarding the proposed changes. **Public comments may be submitted through 11:59 p.m. on October 2, 2015.**

Please copy the Common Sense Initiative Office, which governs the state's regulatory process, at CSIPublicComments@governor.ohio.gov on all public comments that you submit.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melvin R. House".

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Mission Statement

"to save lives, reduce injuries and economic loss, to administer Ohio's motor vehicle laws and to preserve the safety and well being of all citizens with the most cost-effective and service-oriented methods available."