

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

October 21, 2021

Loretta Peace-Bunch
Department of Insurance
Sent via email only to: loretta.peace-bunch@ncdoi.gov

Re: Objection to Rule 11 NCAC 05B .0301

Dear Ms. Peace-Bunch:

At its meeting this morning, the Rules Review Commission objected to Rule 11 NCAC 05B .0301 for lack of statutory authority. Specifically, the Commission found that professional minimum qualifications for fire service personnel are within the authority of the State Fire and Rescue Commission, rather than the Department of Insurance. Please respond to this objection in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 150B-21.12.

Please note that the Commission also rescheduled the readoption deadline for this Rule to October 31, 2022 in order to allow the State Fire and Rescue Commission to readopt this Rule.

If you have any questions regarding the Commission's actions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Amber May

Commission Counsel

cc: John Hoomani, Department of Insurance

Donald R. van der Vaart, Director Chief Administrative Law Judge Fred G. Morrison, Jr. Senior Administrative Law Judge

Linda T. Worth Deputy Director