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COVER SHEET FOR EMERGENCY RULE

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<p>1. Agency Name &amp; Address:</p> <p><b>NH Department of Safety</b>  <b>33 Hazen Drive</b>  <b>Concord, NH 03305</b></p> <p>5. Date of Filing: <b>August 3, 2021</b></p>	<p>2. RSA Authority: <u>21-P:12-a, II(b); RSA 21-P:12-b, II(m)</u></p> <p>3. Federal Authority: <u>N/A</u></p> <p>4. Type of Action:</p> <p>Adoption <u>X</u></p> <p>Amendment _____</p> <p>Repeal _____</p>
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6. Short Title: **Tuition Fees for Certification of Firefighter I and II Training Programs**

7. Contact person for copies and questions:

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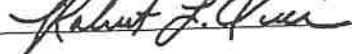
**\*\*PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING**, numbered to correspond to the numbers on this sheet (a separate sheet is not required for every item):

- 8. An explanation of the nature of (a) the imminent peril to public health or safety, demonstrating that the emergency rule is necessary to prevent the imminent peril, or (b) the substantial fiscal harm to the state or its citizens which could otherwise occur if the rule were not adopted as an emergency rule.
- 9. A summary of the effect if the rule were not adopted.
- 10. A description of those affected.

**\*PLEASE SUBMIT 2 COPIES OF THIS COVER SHEET** and all attachments along with 2 copies of the emergency rule to the Office of Legislative Services, Administrative Rules.

**\*\*PLEASE SIGN THE FOLLOWING:**

I, the adopting authority,\* hereby certify that the attached is an accurate statement explaining why an emergency rule is necessary.

Date: August 3, 2021 Signature: 

Name: Robert L. Quinn

Title: Commissioner

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\*("Adopting authority" is the official empowered by statute to adopt the rule; or a member of the group of individuals empowered by statute to adopt the rule.)

8. An explanation of the nature of (a) the imminent peril to public health or safety, demonstrating that the emergency rule is necessary to prevent the imminent peril, or (b) the substantial fiscal harm to the state or its citizens which could otherwise occur if the rule were not adopted as an emergency rule.

HB 2(Chapter 91), Section 385 effective July 1, 2021 appropriated to the Department Safety certain funding for the purpose of funding additional part-time instruction or increasing the tuition discount provided to the New Hampshire emergency service personnel for certain programs through administrative rulemaking. The proposed rulemaking increases the discount local municipalities would receive for sending their personnel to both the certified Firefighter I and II training programs. Without the emergency rules, municipalities may not afford tuition for sending personnel to the training programs and therefore, may suffer a shortage of trained emergency firefighter responders as a result.

9. A summary of the effect if the rule were not adopted.

If the Emergency Rule were not adopted, municipalities who cannot afford the tuition for Firefighter I/II training, will not be able to send personnel to the next scheduled class (end of August), resulting in shortage of emergency certified firefighters in those communities compounding the issue of departments having a sufficient number of personnel already.

10. A description of those affected.

Municipalities; individuals wishing to be trained as certified firefighter I or II; and the citizens within the communities who may not have the budget to afford current tuition fees.

Doc. # 13247 (eff. 8-3-21)  
Emergency Rule Expires: 1-30-21

Readopt with amendment Saf-C 6203.01, effective February 8, 2018 (Doc. #12477), cited and to read as follows:

Saf-C 6203.01 Tuition Fees.

(a) The tuition for a program or course conducted by the division as training shall be published on the division website at [<https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/fstems/CourseCatalog.html>] no later than May 1st each year before the program or course is conducted]  
<https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/fstems/documents/CourseCosts.pdf>.

(b) The tuition fees for Firefighter I certification courses given to New Hampshire emergency service personnel shall be the per capita share of the actual expenses incurred by the division, as calculated per Saf-C 6202, less 95%.

(c) The tuition fees for Firefighter II certification courses given to New Hampshire emergency service personnel shall be the per capita share of the actual expenses incurred by the division, as calculated per Saf-C 6202, less 90%.

[(b)] (d) The tuition fees for certification courses or programs, excluding those outlined in (b) and (c) above, given to New Hampshire emergency service personnel shall be the per capita share of the actual expenses incurred by the division, as calculated per Saf-C 6202, less 65%.

[(c)] (e) The tuition fees for non-certification courses or programs conducted by the division and given to New Hampshire emergency service personnel shall be the per capita share of the actual expenses incurred as calculated per Saf-C 6202.

[(d)](f) Any courses offered as a result of the awarding of a grant shall have fees assessed in accordance with the requirements set forth in the grant.

[(e)](g) For emergency service personnel from another state or non-emergency service personnel, the tuition fees for any course or program conducted shall be the per capita share of the actual expenses incurred by the division, as calculated per Saf-C 6202, plus 45%.

**APPENDIX**

<b>Rule</b>	<b>Statute</b>
Saf-C 6203.01	RSA 21-P:12-a, II(b); RSA 21-P:12-b, II(m)