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To: Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee
State Board of Fire Services

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SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM:
NFA Course Reciprocity Update

Recommended Actions:
Motion to Approve - Consent

Background Information:

State Fire Training (SFT) recognizes courses offered by other agencies and institutions as reciprocal to similar courses offered through SFT. Individuals who have completed an approved reciprocal course may apply and pay a fee to receive an SFT course completion diploma without having to complete the SFT course.

Analysis/Summary of Issue:

Several National Fire Academy (NFA) courses listed in the Table 9.1.2: SFT Approved Courses, from the SFT Procedures Manual (May 2020), Chapter 9, have either changed course names/codes, become obsolete, or retired since the last publication of the SFT Procedures Manual.

SFT recommends implementing the actions listed in the revised table below. In some cases this would include removing the approved reciprocal course from the table when there is no alternative. Other approved courses in the list should be updated to reflect either a change in the course title has been made or another course within the NFA catalog would be a more appropriate surrogate for the SFT training.

Equivalency and Reciprocity (Table 9.1.2 SFT Approved Courses)

SFT Course	Approved Reciprocal Course (May 2020 Procedures Manual)	Recommendation	Notes
Chief Fire Officer 3A	Executive Development (R0123); or Interpersonal Dynamics in Fire Service Organizations (R332)	Remove	No NFA Class Meets 80 Percent Accuracy to SFT (TLOs)
Chief Fire Officer 3B	Executive Leadership (R0125)	Update	Replace with: <i>Financial Management (R0333)</i>
Chief Fire Officer 3C	Fire Services Financial Management (R0333)	Remove	No NFA Class Meets 80 Percent Accuracy to SFT (TLOs)
Chief Fire Officer 3D	Command and Control Decision-Making at Multiple Alarm Incidents (R0297)	No Change	Current
Community Risk Educator	Changing American Families at Risk (R0358); or Application of Community Risk Reduction (R0385)	Remove	Course no longer offered and no NFA Class Meets 80 Percent Accuracy to SFT (TLOs)
Company Officer 2A	Leadership in Supervision (R0645)*	No Change	Current
Company Officer 2B	Leadership in Supervision (R0645)*	No Change	Current
Company Officer 2D	Command and Control of Incident Operations (R0312)	No Change	Current
Executive Chief Fire Officer 4D	Executive Analysis of Fire Service Operations in Emergency Management (R0306); or Command and Control of Fire Department Operations at Natural and Manmade Disasters (R0308)	Update	Executive Analysis of Fire Service Operations in Emergency Management (R0306) course is no longer offered by NFA
Fire Investigation 1A	Fire/Arson Investigation (R0811)	Update	Replace with: <i>Fire Investigation: Essentials (R0772)</i>

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SFT Course	Approved Reciprocal Course (May 2020 Procedures Manual)	Recommendation	Notes
Fire Investigation 1B	Fire/Arson Investigation (R0206) or (R0772)	Update	Replace with: <i>Fire Investigation: Forensic Evidence/Interviewing (R0780)</i>
Fire Investigation 1C	Interviewing-Interrogation Techniques and Courtroom Testimony (R0208) or Case Preparation and Testimony (R0790)	Update	Interviewing-Interrogation Techniques and Courtroom Testimony (R0208) course is no longer offered by NFA
Inspector 1A	Fire Inspection I (R0390)	No Change	Current
Inspector 1B	Fire Inspection Principles 2: Inspection of Structures and Systems (R0391)	No Change	Current
Inspector 2A	Fire Inspection Principles 2: Inspection of Structures and Systems (R0391)	Remove	No NFA Class Meets 80 Percent Accuracy to SFT (TLOs)
Plan Examiner 1A	Plans Review for Fire and Life Safety (R0393)	No Change	Current

* *Leadership in Supervision (R0645)* can be used for reciprocal to *Company Officer 2A* or *2B*, but not for both.

Potential Agency Impacts:

To be determined.