

Alabama Commission on Higher Education

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Commission on Higher Education (Commission)

RULE NO. & TITLE: 300 – 4 – 7 - .01, Goal.
300 – 4 – 7 - .04, Definition of Terms.
300 – 4 – 7 - .06, Application Processing Procedures.

INTENDED ACTION: Amendment

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Addition of Rescue Squad Members - During the 2016 Session of the Alabama Legislature, Act 2016-385 was passed. This act added rescue squad workers (as defined) who are either killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty to the program.

Addition of Volunteer Firefighters - There is also additional language recommended for inclusion that was included in 2009 legislation, but which currently is not reflected in the Administrative Code, related to the volunteer firefighters (as defined).

The proposed amendments described above are related to the rescue squad members and voluntary firefighters are related to language that is in statute. They are not policies, rules or procedures being promulgated by the Commission under its rule-making authority.

Definitions of Full-time and Half-time Students – these definitions are being added for the sake of clarity. These are standard definitions for both. These two definitions are being promulgated by the Commission under its rule-making authority.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Persons wishing to present views on these amended rules may contact Tim Vick, Director of Operations and Fiscal Services, Alabama Commission on Higher Education, P.O. Box 302000, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2000, Telephone 334-353-9153 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day up to and including August 18, 2016.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: August 18, 2016

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300-4-7-.01 Goal.

The goal of the Police Officer's and Firefighter's Survivor's Educational Assistance Program is to provide for tuition assistance and other costs for an undergraduate student in a state college, state community college, state junior college, state technical college, or state university, in the state of Alabama, who is the dependent child, or spouse who has not remarried, of a law enforcement officer, or firefighter (including volunteer firefighters, as defined) or rescue squad member, as defined killed or totally and permanently disabled in the line of duty.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, Alabama Act 87-609, as amended by Alabama Acts 99-448, and 2000-808, 2009-631 and 2016-385.

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