

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Fire Marshal (“Fire Marshal”), pursuant to the New Mexico Insurance Code, Paragraph (2) of Subsection C of Section 59A-52-1.1 NMSA 1978, proposes to add new rules as follows: 10.25.14 Firefighters Survivor’s Supplemental Death Benefits, 10.25.15 Complaints Heard by Fire Service Council, and 10.25.16 Appeals Heard by Fire Service Council.

PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED NEW RULES ARE: To add a new rule 10.25.14 NMAC regarding applicants for firefighters’ survivors’ supplemental death benefits who make applications to the firefighters’ survivors supplemental death benefits committee. To add a new rule 10.25.15 NMAC on the filing, consideration and resolution of complaints made to the fire services council. To add a new rule 10.25.16 NMAC that governs the filing, consideration and resolution of appeals of orders and modifications of the state fire marshal made to the Fire Services Council.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Section 59A-52-15 NMSA 1978.

Copies of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and proposed rule are available by electronic download from the State Fire Marshal’s Office website (www.nmdhsem.org/state-firemarshal) or the New Mexico Sunshine Portal.

The State Fire Marshal’s Office will hold a public hearing on the proposed rules on March 17, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

State Fire Marshals Albuquerque Office, Oso Grande Building, 725 6th Street NW Albuquerque, NM 87102

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89879317635?pwd=cnGOElvjqIRyD70LOoQFRH4QVtu6FL.1>

Meeting ID: 898 7931 7635

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To attend via telephone:

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1 (719) 359-4580 Meeting ID: 89879317635# Passcode: *550479# US

The Fire Marshal designates Greg Perez to act as the hearing officer for this rulemaking. Oral comments will be accepted at the video/telephonic hearing from members of the public and any interested parties.

Written comments and proposals will be accepted through 4:00 pm on March 16, 2026. Responses to written comments or oral comments will be accepted through 12:00 pm on March 17, 2026. Comments may be submitted via email to Fab.Rodriguez@dhsem.nm.gov or may be filed by sending original copies to:

New Mexico Fire Marshal’s Office, New Mexico Department of Homeland Security
13 Bataan Blvd., PO Box 27111, Santa Fe, NM. 87502

Only signed statements, proposals, or comments will be accepted. Scanned or electronic signatures conforming to federal and state court requirements will be accepted with the understanding that if there is any dispute regarding a signature, the Fire Marshal reserves the right to require that original signatures be provided to verify the electronic signature. All filings must be received between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except on state holidays. Any filings after 4:00 will be filed to the docket the next business day.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Any person with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or other auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing should contact Tomasita DeSoto at 505-287-6970 ten (10) business days prior to the hearing.

The Fire Marshal will review and consider all timely submitted written and oral comments and responses.

ISSUED this 28st day of January

/s/ Fire Marshal Randy Varela

