

**RESOLUTION OF
ALABAMA FIREFIGHTERS' PERSONNEL
STANDARDS AND EDUCATION COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Alabama Fire College trains and the Alabama Firefighters' Personnel Standards and Education Commission certifies career firefighters to protect the safety of the public, to protect the safety of the jurisdiction which employs the firefighter, to protect the co-workers of the firefighter, and to protect the firefighter individually; and

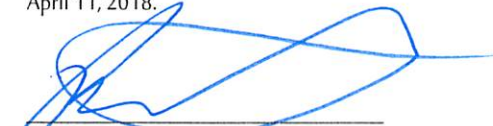
WHEREAS, since an untrained and uncertified municipal and fire district employee who serves as FIRE PROTECTION PERSONNEL AND FIREFIGHTER endangers the public, endangers the safety of the property in the municipality or fire district, endangers his/her co-workers, and endangers himself/herself, the Alabama Legislature requires training for, and requires the Alabama Firefighters' Personnel Standards and Education Commission to certify, any person employed in fire administration, fire prevention, fire suppression, fire education, arson investigation, and emergency medical services (excluding employees of the Alabama State Forestry Commission); and

WHEREAS, Alabama law requires any person employed as FIRE PROTECTION PERSONNEL AND FIREFIGHTER to be certified either prior to permanent employment or within a period of twelve month after the date of employment; and


WHEREAS, the Alabama Attorney General is tasked with enforcing this provision of the *Alabama Code*; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Alabama Firefighters' Personnel Standards and Education Commission hereby states that an individual employed as an uncertified "fire custodian," "fire clerk," "fire maintenance employee," or similar position can not be allowed to endanger the safety of others and himself/herself and/or to circumvent Alabama law. Further, the Commission directs the Executive Director to submit to the Alabama Attorney General for review any matters wherein individuals are suspected of serving as FIRE PROTECTION PERSONNEL AND FIREFIGHTER without certification and in violation of Alabama law.

This Resolution was passed unanimously by the Alabama Firefighters' Personnel Standards and Education Commission at its meeting on April 11, 2018.



Commissioner Russell Ledbetter, Chairman

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