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Subject: Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services regulations available for public comment: training &

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You can now review two new proposed regulations from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services: (1) mandatory training and certification; and (2) community risk assessments.

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A Letter From The President

Dear Fire Chief Jim Sanderson,

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As you may be aware, yesterday, the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) released two proposed regulations under the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997* related to new requirements for:

1. Mandatory training and certification for firefighters; and

2. Community risk assessments to inform the delivery of fire protection services.

MCSCS is seeking public feedback on both regulations. View a summary of the regulations here:

www.ontariocanada.com/registry/view.do?postingld=26546&language=en.

MCSCS received input on how to modernize fire service delivery in the province from a group of fire service experts, known as the provincial Fire Safety Technical Table (the Table), which was established in January 2017. The Ministry reviewed and compiled the Table's recommendations to develop the new proposed regulations. A third regulation on public reporting is expected to be released in the coming weeks, which will have a shorter comment period.

I represented the OAFC at the Technical Table, alongside Executive Vice President, Chief Rick Arnel. Additional OAFC members participated in the Table on behalf of their municipalities, including Deputy Chief Kim Ayotte, Ottawa; Chief Ted Bryan, Otonabee-South Monaghan; Chief John Hay, Thunder Bay; Deputy Chief Jim Jessop, Toronto; and Chief Shawn Armstrong, Kingston.

What's next?

The OAFC Technical Table members are meeting this afternoon to discuss the regulations and the implications for our members. It should be noted that the Ministry made several last-minute changes to the regulations, which the Table did not have an opportunity to review. Moreover, the regulations have been edited significantly by the Ministry since draft versions were shared with our members who attended the 2017 Midterm Meeting in November.

As such, the OAFC's Technical Table members aim to review the "final" proposed regulations and form a position, for ultimate approval by the

Board of Directors, in order to contribute public comments. We will provide you with that information next week, should you wish to include our position in your individual public comments.

We encourage <u>all</u> members to comment on these regulations so the government is aware of the unique concerns across Ontario's municipalities. Comments are due by March 11, 2018.

If you have questions or concerns about the regulations, please reach out to any of the Technical Table members listed above.

Yours truly,

Chief Stephen Hernen
President

