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**TITLE 655 BOARD OF FIREFIGHTING
PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION**

LSA Document #04-297

June 13, 2005

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Senator R. Michael Young, Chairman
Administrative Rules Oversight Committee
c/o Legislative Services Agency
200 W. Washington Street, Suite 301
Indianapolis, Indiana
Attn: Sarah Burkman

Re: LSA Doc. #04-297

Dear Sen. Young,

Pursuant to the provisions of IC 4-22-2-19(c), this letter shall serve as written notification that LSA Doc. 04-297 does not comply with IC 4-22-2-19(c)(1). This creates a new voluntary certification for both fire service personnel and non-fire service personnel. The reasons for the non-compliance are as follows:

1. Pursuant to IC 22-14-2-7(c)(7), the Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education is authorized to adopt rules to create a program of voluntary certification for fire service and non-fire service personnel and programs. This statute was effective in 1987.
2. The new certifications are being adopted in accordance with directives from the federal Dept. of Homeland Security.

The expected date that the rule will be completed is August 1, 2005.

The expected date that the rule will be approved by the Governor is August 15, 2005.

Please feel free to call Mara Snyder, counsel to the Board, at 233-5341 should you have any questions or require further information about these certifications.

Sincerely,

Roger D. Johnson
State Fire Marshal