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Memorandum

TO: Chairs of the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee
Chairs of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

FROM: Chief Chris Blue
Chair, North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission

DATE: February 27, 2025

RE: Requirement to Report Regulatory Flexibility During Declaration of Disaster

Session Law 2024-53, Part 4E, titled “Authorized State Agencies to Exercise Regulatory Flexibility for Employment Related Certifications,”) states in section 4E.1.(c), “No later than March 1, 2025, each State agency shall report to the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee and the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on its use of regulatory flexibility under this section.”

Accordingly, the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission is reporting that at their November 8, 2024 meeting the Commission adopted the emergency rule, “09A .0209 – Extended Renewals and Reporting Due to Disaster” to address certification deadlines post-Hurricane Helene, pursuant to the Disaster Recovery Act of 2024, SL 2024-51. A copy of “09A .0209 – Extended Renewals and Reporting Due to Disaster” is attached to this memo.

The Criminal Justice Standards Division, which staffs the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, notified all of its agencies under its jurisdiction of the emergency rule adopted by the Commission.

Fifteen law enforcement agencies were granted regulatory flexibility for submitting their annual Mandatory In-Service Training (MIST) compliance reports. Six of these agencies successfully submitted their MIST compliance reports by the initial deadline of January 15, 2025. An additional six agencies provided their required reports between January 16 and February 3, 2025. Three of these agencies remain eligible for extended regulatory flexibility and have until March 1, 2025, to submit their MIST compliance reports.

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