

**FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL
REGARDING THE 2013 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 9
2013 INTERIM RULEMAKING CYCLE**

The Administrative Procedure Act requires that every agency shall maintain a file of each rulemaking that shall be deemed to be the record for that rulemaking proceeding. The rulemaking file shall include a final statement of reasons. The Final Statement of Reasons shall be available to the public upon request when rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following are the reasons for proposing this particular rulemaking action:

UPDATES TO THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

(Government Code Section 11346.9(a)(1))

The Office of the State Fire Marshal has not added any additional data or any technical, theoretical or empirical studies, reports or similar documents on which the SFM relied on in proposing these amendments to Title 24, Part 9 into this Final Statement of Reason unless noted otherwise in the comments or response to comments.

MANDATE ON LOCAL AGENCIES OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 11346.9(a)(2))

The SFM has determined that the proposed regulatory action would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts.

OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION(S)

(Government Code Section 11346.9(a)(2))

The following is the Office of the State Fire Marshal's summary of and response to comments specifically directed at the agency's proposed action or to the procedures followed by the agency in proposing or adopting the actions or reasons for making no change:

No objections or recommendations were received by the SFM.

DETERMINATION OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND EFFECT ON PRIVATE PERSONS

(Government Code Section 11346.9(a)(4))

The SFM has determined that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation.

REJECTED PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE THAT WOULD LESSEN THE ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES

(Government Code Section 11346.9(a)(5))

No proposed alternatives were received by the SFM.

COMMENTS MADE BY THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

(Government Code Section 11347.6)

No comments were received from the Office of Small Business Advocate.