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## DIGEST

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HB 245 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Removes certification from training programs approved by the office of the state fire marshal in favor of certification from training programs from accredited agencies for purposes of firemen receiving state supplemental pay.

Present law provides for qualifications for firemen in order to receive state supplemental pay. Provides for firemen to complete and pass a certified fireman's training program equal to the National Fire Protection Association Standard for 1001 Firefighter I certification or a firefighter's training program as approved by the office of the state fire marshal. Provides an option for firefighters employed by ports to also obtain training through a state or federally approved maritime firefighter training programs.

Proposed law repeals present law regarding certifications from a training program approved by the office of the state fire marshal Fire and Emergency Training Academy. Proposed law requires firemen to complete and pass a certified fireman's training program from a Pro Board accredited agency or the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress equal to the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1010 or 1001 Firefighter I Certification. Requires the certification to be validated by the Louisiana Fire and Emergency Training Academy. Retains the option for firefighters employed by ports to obtain training through a state or federally approved maritime firefighter training programs.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:1666.1(A)(2), (4)(a), (6)(a), and (7)(a) and (B))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill:

1. Require a fireman to complete a certified fireman's training program from a Pro Board accredited agency or an International Fire Service Accreditation Congress approved entity.
2. Require the training program to be equal to the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1010 or 1001 Firefighter I Certification.

3. Require the certification to be validated by the Louisiana Fire and Emergency Training Academy.