

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC REGULATIONS; CREATING THE FIRE MARSHAL
DIVISION IN THE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 8-8-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1998,
Chapter 108, Section 1) is amended to read:

"8-8-1. SHORT TITLE.--Chapter 8, Article 8 NMSA 1978
may be cited as the "Public Regulation Commission Act"."

Section 2. Section 8-8-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1998,
Chapter 108, Section 6) is amended to read:

"8-8-6. COMMISSION--DIVISIONS.--The commission shall
include the following organizational units:

- A. the administrative services division;
- B. the consumer relations division;
- C. the insurance division;
- D. the legal division;
- E. the transportation division;
- F. the utility division; and
- G. the fire marshal division."

Section 3. Section 8-8-9 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1998,
Chapter 108, Section 9) is amended to read:

"8-8-9. INSURANCE DIVISION.--

A. The director of the insurance division is the
"superintendent of insurance" and shall have all the powers

and duties prescribed to the director in the New Mexico Insurance Code.

B. The insurance division shall consist of such bureaus as the superintendent of insurance determines for the orderly conduct of business."

Section 4. A new section of the Public Regulation Commission Act is enacted to read:

"FIRE MARSHAL DIVISION.--The fire marshal division includes the following:

- A. the firefighter training academy bureau;
- B. the fire service support bureau;
- C. the fire investigations bureau; and
- D. the fire code enforcement bureau."

Section 5. Section 59A-52-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984, Chapter 127, Section 947, as amended) is amended to read:

"59A-52-1. STATE FIRE MARSHAL CREATED.--The position of "state fire marshal" is created as the director of the fire marshal division under the public regulation commission."

Section 6. Section 59A-52-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984, Chapter 127, Section 949, as amended) is amended to read:

"59A-52-3. DEPUTY STATE FIRE MARSHAL AND OTHER EMPLOYEES--QUALIFICATIONS OF DEPUTY.--The state fire marshal may employ, with the consent of the chief of staff of the public regulation commission, deputy state fire marshals and other employees to assist in the execution of the marshal's

duties."

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