A public hearing will be held by the Office of Attorney General Mike DeWine on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the large conference room at the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy, located at 1650 State Route 56 S.W., London, Ohio 43140.

The purpose of the hearing is to solicit comment on the following rules to be amended:

109:2-1-03 Ohio peace officer basic training program course.

(A) Who is required to complete the basic course:
(1) Those persons set out in division (A) of section 109.71 of the Revised Code;
(2) A training recruit as defined in paragraph (H) of rule 109:2-1-02 of the Administrative Code;
(3) Any person employed in a position statutorily required to complete the basic training course.
(B) Who may attend the basic course
(1) An open enrollment student as defined in paragraph (I) of rule 109:2-1-02 of the Administrative
Code.
(C) No person ~~who has been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense~~ shall attend the basic course if any of the following apply.:
(1) The person is subject to a weapons disability pursuant to section 2923.13 of the Revised Code;
(2) The person is under indictment, has pleaded guilty to or been convicted of a felony;
(3) The person is currently registering as a sex offender, child-victim offender, or arson offender;
(4) The person is under indictment or otherwise charged with an offense under Chapter 2925, 3719, or 4729 of the Revised Code that involves the illegal possession, use, sale, administration, or distribution of or trafficking in a drug of abuse; a misdemeanor offense of violence; or a violation of section 2903.14 of the Revised Code.
(5) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (C)(1), (2), or (3) of this section, the person, within three years of applying to attend the basic course, has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense under Chapter 2925, 3719, or 4729 of the Revised Code that involves the illegal possession, use, sale, administration, or distribution of or trafficking in a drug of abuse; or has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor offense of violence;
(6) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (C)(1), (2), or (3) of this section, the person, within three years of applying to attend the basic course, has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense under Chapter 2913 of the Revised Code or a municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to an offense under Chapter 2913 of the Revised Code.
(D) All persons attending the basic course shall possess a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalency.
(E) Statement of purpose.
(1) It shall be clearly understood that the basic course described is designed as an absolute minimum program. Commanders are encouraged to exceed this minimum program wherever possible.
(2) Nothing in this chapter shall limit or be construed as limiting the authority of a commander, the civil service commission, or other appointing authority, to enact rules and

regulations which establish a higher standard of training above the minimum required by the rules of this chapter.
(F) Local matters
Instruction in such matters as department rules and regulations, local ordinances, personnel policies and procedures may be given entirely upon local initiative. No portion of the instructional time devoted to this training or other non-commission required topics shall be credited against the hours of instruction required under rule 109:2-1-16 of the Administrative Code.

109:2-18-01 Definitions.

(A) As used in rules 109:2-18-01 to 109:2-18-07 of the Administrative Code, "Peace Officer" has the same meaning as in section 109.71 of the Revised Code.
(B) "Trooper" means an individual appointed as a state highway patrol trooper under section 5503.01 of the Revised Code.
(C) "Appointing Authority" means any agency or entity that appoints a peace officer or trooper.
(D) "Public Appointing Authority" means any agency that appoints a peace officer as defined in divisions (A)(1), (A)(3) to (A)(8), (A)(10), (A)(12), (A)(13), (A)(15) to (A)(18), and (A)(19) of section 109.71 of the Revised Code and the Ohio state highway patrol.
(E) "Responsible Agency" means the appointing authority charged with the responsibility for documenting the peace officer or trooper's training.
(F) "Commission" means the Ohio peace officer training commission.
(G) "Executive Director" means the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission.
(H) "Continuing Professional Training" means the training prescribed by sections 109.802 and 109.803 of the Revised Code.
(I) "OHLEG" means the Ohio law enforcement gateway.
(J) "Full-time" means officers or troopers who are in active pay status receiving compensation and benefits for 40 hours in a work week or 80 hours in a 14-day period. For purposes of this chapter, active pay status has the same meaning as in rule 123:1-47-01 of the Administrative Code.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and present oral and/or written testimony. Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing to the attention of Donna Long, Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission, P.O. Box 309, London, Ohio 43140 or donna.long@ohioattorneygeneral.gov no later than Thursday, November 10, 2016. A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained from the Attorney General's website (OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov) or by calling 614-728-7275 or 800-282-0515. TTY users, please call Relay Ohio at 800-325-2223.