



COLORADO

Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

7/6/2018

RE: Open Comments for 8 CCR 1507-44, Rules and Regulations Concerning the School Access for Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program

Dear Local and State Governmental Stakeholders and Colleagues:

If you are receiving this letter, you have been identified as either an interested party or potential stakeholder having interest in 8 CCR 1507-44, the rules and regulations concerning the School Access for Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program. Pursuant to Colorado State Executive Order D2011-005, (EO-5), revised August 4, 2017, the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) is providing notice of these rules and an opportunity for comment to other state and local governmental entities.

DHSEM is preparing to promulgate rules as authorized by §24-33.5-2104(4), CRS, necessary to implement the SAFER Grant Program. DHSEM has drafted an initial set of the rules for purposes of public comment and hereby invites all interested parties and stakeholders to do so. Included with this letter is a draft copy of these rules for you to consider when making commenting or developing your response. Our request is that you consider the following inquiries in developing your response to these rules:

1. What is your local government's position on the proposed rule?
2. Will the proposed rule create a mandate on your local government?
3. If the rule creates a new mandate, which of the following three categories most accurately describes the mandate in your opinion:
 - a. Necessitated by Federal Law, State Law, or a Court Order
 - b. Caused by the State's participation in an optional Federal program
 - c. Imposed by the sole discretion of a State Rulemaking Agency
4. Will the proposed rule increase costs for your local government? If so, what are those new costs?
5. Will the proposed rule require your local government to hire new personnel? If so, how many new full-time equivalent positions will be required?

Written comments on these rules are invited and will be received for a 10-day period from the date of this letter, through July 16, 2018. Comments sent by US Mail should be addressed to the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, 9195 E Mineral Avenue, Suite 200, Centennial, CO 80112 to the Attention of Amy Shish; comments sent by email may be sent directly to the branch rule-making coordinator, Amy Shish at amy.shish@state.co.us.

DHSEM is committed to maintaining clear and open communication with all stakeholders and otherwise interested parties throughout this rule-making process. Please do not hesitate to contact the branch rule-making coordinator Amy Shish at 720-852-6623 with any questions, or if you would like to be included in future notices of rulemaking events.





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We thank you for your support and commitment to this process.

Sincerely,

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