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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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April 23, 2009

R. Scott Schlechter, Chairman
County Probation and Parole Officers' Firearms Education and Training Commission
1101 South Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17104

Re: Regulation #41-18 (IRRC #2576)
County Probation and Parole Officers' Firearms Education and Training Commission
County Probation and Parole Officers' Firearm Education and Training Commission

Dear Chairman Schlechter:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Arthur Coccodrilli

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf, Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
Honorable Daylin Leach, Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
Honorable Thomas R. Caltagirone, Chair, House Judiciary Committee
Honorable Ronald S. Marsico, Chair, House Judiciary Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 23, 2009

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Regulation No. 41-18 (#2576)
County Probation and Parole Officers'
Firearms Education and Training Commission
County Probation and Parole Officers' Firearm
Education and Training Commission

On October 11, 2006, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the County Probation and Parole Officers' Firearms Education and Training Commission (FETC). This rulemaking establishes 37 Pa. Code Chapter 79. The proposed regulation was published in the October 28, 2006 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on November 14, 2008, and resubmitted on February 12, 2009, after the conclusion of *sine die* adjournment. On March 16, 2009, the Commission received a request from the FETC to toll consideration of this final-form regulation to consider revisions for clarity. On April 6, 2009, the FETC submitted its revisions to the final-form regulation to the Commission.

The regulation establishes firearm education and training required for county probation and parole officers to be certified to carry firearms in the performance of their duties, implementing the directives of Act 158 of 1994.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the FETC (61 P.S. § 332.5) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.





Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman