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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Crispen, Fire Chief, Fire Department

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk *Victor Young*

DATE: November 24, 2025

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee received the following proposed Ordinance:

File No. 251143

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to remove the Fire Commission's authority to appoint the Fire Department physician and to revise the required qualifications for one of the Deputy Fire Chiefs.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to Victor Young at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: victor.young@sfgov.org.

(attachment)

c. Theresa Ludwig, Fire Department
Maureen Conefrey, Fire Commission



City and County of San Francisco

Master Report

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File Number: 251143 **File Type:** Ordinance **Status:** 30 Day Rule

Enacted: _____ **Effective:** _____

Version: 1 **In Control:** Rules Committee

File Name: Administrative Code - Appointments of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Department Physician **Date Introduced:** 11/18/2025

Requester: [REDACTED] **Cost:** [REDACTED] **Final Action:** [REDACTED]

Comment: **Title:** Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to remove the Fire Commission's authority to appoint the Fire Department physician and to revise the required qualifications for one of the Deputy Fire Chiefs.

Sponsor: Mayor

History of Legislative File 251143

Ver	Acting Body	Date	Action	Sent To	Due Date	Result
1	President	11/18/2025	ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE	Rules Committee	12/18/2025	

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12 subsections or parts of tables.

13 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

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15 deleting Section 2A.91 and revising 2A.93, to read as follows:

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22 rank of Assistant Chief of Department or Battalion Chief; one Deputy Chief *from among the*
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24 *Paramedicine members of the Department with a rank of* Rescue Captain, Section Chief, Battalion
25 Chief, or above, *and who has served as a paramedic within the Department*; and a Secretary to the
Chief of the Department.

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2 Section 2. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors
3 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,
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16 By: /s/ Sarah Fabian
17 SARAH FABIAN
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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO



DANIEL LURIE
MAYOR

TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Adam Thongsavat, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors
RE: Administrative Code - Appointments of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Department Physician
DATE: November 18, 2025

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to remove the Fire Commission's authority to appoint the Fire Department physician and to revise the required qualifications for one of the Deputy Fire Chiefs.

Should you have any questions, please contact Adam Thongsavat at adam.thongsavat@sfgov.org

From: [Darmali, Dexter \(MYR\)](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Thongsavat, Adam \(MYR\)](#); [RUSSI, BRAD \(CAT\)](#); [Betz, Steven \(MYR\)](#); [Sims, Adrienne \(FIR\)](#); [FABIAN, SARAH \(CAT\)](#); [Chu, Lucy \(FIR\)](#)
Subject: MDL Intro 11.18.25 | Administrative Code - Appointments of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Department Physician
Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 3:09:30 PM
Attachments: [2600158 - Ordinance deleting 2A91 and revising 2A93.docx](#)
[MDL Cover Letter FIR Admin Code.docx](#)

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Supporting Documents:

- Ordinance (under two pages)
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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank You,

Dexter Darmali (*he/him*)
Legislative & Ethics Secretary
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Subject: RE: MDL Intro 11.18.25 | Administrative Code - Appointments of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Department Physician
Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 5:32:00 PM

Hi Jocelyn,

This ordinance is approved as to form, and you may use my electronic signature to sign this ordinance.

Thanks,

Sarah



Sarah L. Fabian (she/her)

Deputy City Attorney
Office of City Attorney David Chiu
(415) 554-4679 Direct (email preferred)
www.sfcityattorney.org

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Subject: RE: MDL Intro 11.18.25 | Administrative Code - Appointments of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Department Physician

Greetings,

We are seeking the approval from Deputy City Attorney Sarah Fabian for use of her electronic

signature and approval as to form for the attached Ordinance, by reply to this email. Thank you.

Jocelyn Wong
Legislative Clerk
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