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MEMORANDUM

To: Heads of Fire Departments

From: Stephen D. Coan
State Fire Marshal

Date: February 1, 2014

RE: Delegation of Authority Cards

Over the past few months, I have received requests from several Chiefs for Delegation of Authority cards for use by their fire departments.

As you may recall, the Marshal's Office made these cards available in the past. Enclosed please find an updated Delegation of Authority card which you may choose to issue to members of your departments.

The new cards have been updated to reflect the new statutory citation to the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations and once issued, are good until they are either revoked or upon the holder's separation from the fire department. You may wish to print these cards on heavy stock and have them laminated after they are signed.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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In accordance with the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 148, General Laws, I hereby delegate the authority vested in me to:

Name: _____
Given under my hand at _____, Massachusetts,
this ____ day of _____, 20___.

_____, Chief

Delegation is valid until revoked or upon separation from the Department

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Delegation of Authority

M.G.L. Chapter 148, section 4

The marshal, the head of the fire department, or any person to whom the marshal or the head of the fire department may delegate the authority, may, in the performance of the duties imposed by this chapter, or in furtherance of the purpose of any provision of any law, ordinance or by-law relating to the subject matter of this chapter, or of any rule or regulation of the board of fire prevention regulations, established under section four of chapter twenty-two D, in this chapter referred to as the board, or any order of the marshal or head of the fire department, enter at any reasonable hour any building or other premises, or any ship or vessel, to make inspection or investigation, without being held or deemed to be guilty of trespass.

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