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Subject: Extensions to Chapter 21 of the State Police Commission Rules (COVID-19)

Please be advised that the following provisions under Chapter 21 of the State Police Commission Rules set to expire at 12:01 A.M. on April 13, 2020, have been extended by the Executive Director.

Rule 21.1(b) has been extended to 12:01 A.M. on April 30, 2020. This rule allows an appointing authority the ability to permit the use of sick leave to care for a dependent child residing in his household due to a school closure related to COVID-19.

Rule 21.7 Suspension of Deadlines has been extended to 12:01 A.M. on April 30, 2020. This rule allows all deadlines imposed by the State Police Commission Rules to be suspended until April 30, 2020. This provision does not apply to deadlines imposed by the Constitution, including the 30-day period for appealing the Commission's decision to the Court of Appeal.

Please note that Rule 21.2(a)2 SHALL expire at 12:01 A.M. on April 13, 2020 as originally approved.

Lastly, Rule 21.1 has been amended by the Executive Director, under the authority of SPC Rule 21.6, as indicated below to provide for greater clarity in the reading of the rule:

21.1 Sick Leave Expansion

The appointing authority may ~~grant~~ **permit the use of** sick leave for the following reasons:

- a) To care for a spouse or dependent child residing in his household who has been positively diagnosed with COVID-19;
- b) To care for a dependent child residing in his household due to a school closure related to COVID-19; or
- c) To an employee with high-risk immunological disorders to be away from the workplace to avoid exposure to COVID-19.

Should you have any questions about these rules, please contact me via email at Jason.Hannaman@LA.gov.