

I. Privacy

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005,⁶ requires the Agency to assess the privacy impact of a regulation that will affect the privacy of individuals. This NPRM would not require the collection of personally identifiable information (PII).

The Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) applies only to Federal agencies and any non-Federal agency that receives records contained in a system of records from a Federal agency for use in a matching program.

The E-Government Act of 2002,⁷ requires Federal agencies to conduct a PIA for new or substantially changed technology that collects, maintains, or disseminates information in an identifiable form. No new or substantially changed technology would collect, maintain, or disseminate information as a result of this proposed rule. Accordingly, FMCSA has not conducted a PIA.

In addition, the Agency will complete a Privacy Threshold Assessment (PTA) to evaluate the risks and effects the proposed rulemaking might have on collecting, storing, and sharing personally identifiable information. The PTA will be submitted to FMCSA's Privacy Officer for review and preliminary adjudication and to DOT's Privacy Officer for review and final adjudication.

J. E.O. 13175 (Indian Tribal Governments)

This rule does not have Tribal implications under E.O. 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian Tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes.

K. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

FMCSA analyzed this proposed rule pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). The Agency believes this proposed rule, if finalized, would not have a reasonably foreseeable significant effect on the quality of the human environment. This action would likely fall under a published categorical exclusion and thus be excluded from further analysis and documentation in

⁶Public Law 108–447, 118 Stat. 2809, 3268, note following 5 U.S.C. 552a (Dec. 4, 2014).

⁷Public Law 107–347, sec. 208, 116 Stat. 2899, 2921 (Dec. 17, 2002).

an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement under FMCSA Order 5610.1 (69 FR 9680), Appendix 2. Specifically, paragraphs (6)(t)(1) and (2), which cover regulations pertaining to ensuring that States comply with the CMVSA of 1986. The public is invited to comment on the impact of the proposed Agency action.

L. Rulemaking Summary

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(4), a summary of this proposed rule may be found at *regulations.gov*, under the docket number.

List of Subjects

49 CFR Part 383

Administrative practice and procedure, Alcohol abuse, Drug abuse, Drug testing, Highway safety, Motor carriers, Penalties, Safety, Transportation.

49 CFR Part 384

Administrative practice and procedure, Alcohol abuse, Drug abuse, Highway safety, Motor carriers.

Accordingly, FMCSA proposes to amend 49 CFR parts 383 and 384 to read as follows:

PART 383—COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE STANDARDS; REQUIREMENTS AND PENALTIES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 383 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 521, 31136, 31301 *et seq.*, and 31502; secs. 214 and 215 of Pub. L. 106–159, 113 Stat. 1748, 1766, 1767; sec. 1012(b) of Pub. L. 107–56, 115 Stat. 272, 297, sec. 4140 of Pub. L. 109–59, 119 Stat. 1144, 1746; sec. 32934 of Pub. L. 112–141, 126 Stat. 405, 830; sec. 23019 of Pub. L. 117–58, 135 Stat. 429, 777; and 49 CFR 1.87.

§ 383.31 Notification of convictions for driver violations.

- 2. Amend § 383.31 by:
 - a. Removing paragraph (a);
 - b. Redesignating paragraphs (b) and (c) as (a) and (b), respectively;
 - c. Removing paragraph (d); and
 - d. Revising newly redesignated paragraph (a) by removing the last sentence.

PART 384—STATE COMPLIANCE WITH COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE PROGRAM

■ 3. The authority citation for part 384 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 31136, 31301, *et seq.*, and 31502; secs. 103 and 215 of Pub. L. 106–159, 113 Stat. 1748, 1753, 1767; sec. 32934 of Pub. L. 112–141, 126 Stat. 405, 830; sec. 5524 of Pub. L. 114–94, 129 Stat. 1312, 1560; and 49 CFR 1.87.

§ 384.409 [Amended]

■ 4. Amend § 384.409 by removing the second sentence.

Issued under authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87.

Sue Lawless,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 390

[Docket No. FMCSA–2025–0121]

RIN 2126–AC95

Accident Reporting: Modification to the Definition of the Term “Medical Treatment”

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: FMCSA proposes to amend the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to revise the term “medical treatment” for the purpose of accident reporting to incorporate revised regulatory guidance issued by the Agency regarding medical treatment away from the accident scene.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 29, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Docket Number FMCSA–2025–0121 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2025-0121/document>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 366–9317 or (202) 366–9826 before visiting Dockets Operations.

- *Fax:* (202) 493–2251.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jenny Guarino, Chief, Crash Data

Analytics Division, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4143, jenny.guarino@dot.gov. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Dockets Operations at (202) 366-9826.

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I. Public Participation and Request for Comments

A. Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this NPRM (FMCSA-2025-0121), indicate the specific section of this document to which your comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2025-0121/document>, click on this NPRM, click “Comment,” and type your comment into the text box on the following screen.

If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by

11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing.

FMCSA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Confidential Business Information (CBI)

CBI is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to the NPRM contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to the NPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission that constitutes CBI as “PROPIN” to indicate it contains proprietary information. FMCSA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the Freedom of Information Act, and they will not be placed in the public docket of the NPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Brian Dahlin, Chief, Regulatory Evaluation Division, Office of Policy, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001 or via email at brian.g.dahlin@dot.gov. At this time, you need not send a duplicate hardcopy of your electronic CBI submissions to FMCSA headquarters. Any comments FMCSA receives not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

B. Viewing Comments and Documents

To view any documents mentioned as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2025-0121/document> and choose the document to review. To view comments, click this NPRM, then click “Browse Comments.” If you do not have access to the internet, you may view the docket online by visiting Dockets Operations on the ground floor of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 366-9317 or (202) 366-9826 before visiting Dockets Operations.

C. Privacy

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its regulatory process. DOT posts these comments, including any personal information the commenter provides, to

www.regulations.gov as described in the system of records notice DOT/ALL 14 (Federal Docket Management System), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/individuals/privacy/privacy-act-system-records-notices>. The comments are posted without edits and are searchable by the name of the submitter.

II. Abbreviations

ANPRM Advance notice of proposed rulemaking
 CBI Confidential Business Information
 CFR Code of Federal Regulations
 CMV Commercial motor vehicle
 CT Computed tomography
 DOT Department of Transportation
 FMCSRs Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations
 FR Federal Register
 NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
 OMB Office of Management and Budget
 PIA Privacy Impact Assessment
 PTA Privacy Threshold Assessment
 UMRA Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995
 U.S.C. United States Code

III. Legal Basis

The 1935 Motor Carrier Act of 1935 (49 Stat. 543) (the 1935 Act) and the Motor Carrier Safety Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-554 Title II, 98 Stat. 2832 (Oct. 30, 1984)) (the 1984 Act), as amended, provide that “[t]he Secretary of Transportation may prescribe requirements for—(1) qualifications and maximum hours of service of employees of, and safety of operation and equipment of, a motor carrier; and (2) qualifications and maximum hours of service of employees of, and standards of equipment of, a private motor carrier, when needed to promote safety of operation” (49 U.S.C. 31502(b)).

Section 114 of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (the HazMat Act), (Pub. L. 93-633, Title I (Jan. 3, 1975), codified at 49 U.S.C. chapter 51) directed the Secretary of Transportation to amend 49 CFR 391.23 to specify minimum safety information to be investigated from previous employers when performing employment record investigations on driver candidates and newly hired drivers. Section 114 specified that a motor carrier must investigate a driver’s 3-year accident record, and drug and alcohol history, from employers the driver worked for within the previous three years.

Under § 390.15, carriers are required to keep records of all reportable accidents, as defined in § 390.5T,¹ in an

¹ Section 390.5 of title 49 is currently suspended and replaced by § 390.5T, however the definitions for the listed terms are identical in both sections.

accident register for 3 years. The term *accident* includes “an occurrence involving a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate commerce which results in bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident.”

FMCSA published guidance in 2022 clarifying what is considered medical treatment (87 FR 10895, Feb. 25, 2022). Under section 5203 of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (Pub. L. 114–94, 129 Stat. 1312, 1535 (Dec. 4, 2015)), FMCSA reviews its guidance at least every 5 years to incorporate guidance, as appropriate.

This rulemaking proposes to revise the definition of *accident* in § 390.5T to incorporate the 2022 guidance. This revision will provide clarity and regulatory certainty to regulated entities on what constitutes a reportable accident, and what does not, under part 390 to ensure operators of CMVs are qualified drivers as required under 49 U.S.C. 31502(b) and section 114 of the HazMat Act.

IV. Background

FMCSA issued revised guidance on February 25, 2022, regarding the definition of accident in § 390.5T. Under § 390.5T *accident* is defined as an occurrence involving a CMV operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate commerce which results in: (1) A fatality, (2) bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident, or (3) one or more motor vehicles being towed from the scene. The previous guidance considered an x-ray examination and other imaging, such as computed tomography (CT), as medical treatment.

FMCSA revised the guidance to clarify that a person who does not receive treatment for diagnosed injuries or other medical intervention directly related to the accident, has not received *medical treatment* as that term is used in §§ 390.5 or 390.5T. An x-ray or CT is not considered medical treatment. If the person were given prescription medicine or the prescription itself, that would be considered medical treatment for a diagnosed injury. FMCSA proposes to revise the definition of *accident* to eliminate the need for the current legally non-binding guidance, thereby providing increased certainty and clarity for regulated entities.

V. Discussion of Proposed Rulemaking

Accident is defined in § 390.5T as “an occurrence involving a CMV operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate

commerce which results in: (1) A fatality, (2) bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident, or (3) one or more motor vehicles being towed from the scene.” The current definition does not provide an explanation of what constitutes “medical treatment.” FMCSA revised its guidance in 2022 to clarify that medical treatment did not include diagnostic procedures, such as x-ray or CT.

This rulemaking proposes to revise §§ 390.5 and 390.5T to incorporate the 2022 guidance into the definition of *accident*. A new paragraph (3) would be added to the definition to clarify that medical treatment does not include x-rays or other imaging, such as CT, and a person who does not receive treatment for diagnosed injuries or other medical intervention directly related to the accident, has not received “medical treatment.” These changes are consistent with the 2022 guidance and will provide clarity and regulatory certainty to regulated entities regarding what constitutes an accident that must be recorded and kept under part 390.

VI. International Impacts

Motor carriers and drivers are subject to the laws and regulations of the countries that they operate in, unless an international agreement states otherwise. Drivers and carriers should be aware of the regulatory differences between nations.

VII. Section-by-Section Analysis

A. Regulatory Provisions

This section-by-section analysis describes the proposed changes in numerical order.

Section 390.5 Definitions

FMCSA proposes to add a new paragraph (3) to the definition of *accident* that explains what does not constitute medical treatment.

Section 390.5T Definitions

FMCSA proposes to add a new paragraph (3) to the definition of *accident* that explains what does not constitute medical treatment.

B. Guidance Statements and Interpretations

This rulemaking proposes to amend a regulation that has associated guidance. Such guidance statements do not have the force and effect of law, are strictly advisory, and are not meant to bind the public in any way. Conformity with guidance statements is voluntary. Guidance is intended only to provide information to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or

FMCSA policies. A guidance statement does not alter the substance of a regulation.

On February 25, 2022, FMCSA issued guidance revising Question 27 for §§ 390.5 and 390.5T to address the meaning of the term “medical treatment” as it used in the definition of *accident*.² FMCSA intends to rescind this guidance as no longer necessary upon publication of a final rule eliminating the provision to which the guidance relates.

VIII. Regulatory Analyses

A. Executive Order (E.O.) 12866 (Regulatory Planning and Review), E.O. 13563 (Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review), and DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures

FMCSA has considered the impact of this NPRM under E.O. 12866 (58 FR 51735, Oct. 4, 1993), Regulatory Planning and Review, E.O. 13563 (76 FR 3821, Jan. 21, 2011), Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, and DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures. The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs within the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) determined that this NPRM is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of E.O. 12866, as supplemented by E.O. 13563, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. Accordingly, OMB has not reviewed it under that E.O.

FMCSA proposes to amend the FMCSRs to revise the use of the term “medical treatment” for the purpose of accident reporting. FMCSA revised its guidance in 2022 to clarify that medical treatment did not include diagnostic procedures. This rulemaking proposes to revise §§ 390.5 and 390.5T to incorporate the 2022 guidance into the definition of *accident*. The guidance does not have the force or effect of law and is voluntary only. FMCSA anticipates that some carriers involved in accidents are already following the guidance, but that some may not be aware of the guidance or may choose not to follow it. In the event that this NPRM would adjust motor carrier reporting burdens, it would amount to a reduction in reporting as those incidents that involve diagnostic procedures would no longer be reported as accidents. The Agency seeks input on the extent to which codifying the

²The 2022 guidance was published in the *Federal Register* (87 FR 10895) and can be found at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/02/25/2022-03997/accident-reporting-change-to-regulatory-guidance-concerning-the-use-of-the-term-medical-treatment>.

existing guidance would result in a decrease in burden in carriers' reporting.

B. E.O. 14192 (Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation)

E.O. 14192 (90 FR 9065, Jan. 31, 2025), Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation, requires that for "each new [E.O. 14192 regulatory action] issued, at least ten prior regulations be identified for elimination."³

Implementation guidance for E.O. 14192 issued by OMB (Memorandum M-25-20, March 26, 2025) defines two different types of E.O. 14192 actions: an E.O. 14192 deregulatory action, and an E.O. 14192 regulatory action.⁴

An E.O. 14192 deregulatory action is defined as "an action that has been finalized and has total costs less than zero." This proposed rulemaking is expected to have total costs less than zero as some carriers would realize a reduction in accident reporting, and therefore would be considered an E.O. 14192 deregulatory action upon issuance of a final rule. The Agency seeks comment regarding the extent to which the codification of the existing guidance would result in a decrease in burden to carriers relative to the baseline.

C. Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(g), FMCSA is required to publish an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) or proceed with a negotiated rulemaking, if a proposed safety rule "under this part"⁵ is likely to lead to the promulgation of a major rule.⁶ As this proposed rule is not likely to result in the promulgation of a major rule, the Agency is not required to issue an ANPRM or to proceed with a negotiated rulemaking.

³ Executive Office of the President. *Executive Order 14192 of January 31, 2025. Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation*. 90 FR 9065–9067. Feb. 6, 2025.

⁴ Executive Office of the President. Office of Management and Budget. *Guidance Implementing Section 3 of Executive Order 14192, Titled "Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation."* Memorandum M-25-20. March 26, 2025.

⁵ Part B of Subtitle VI of Title 49, United States Code, *i.e.*, 49 U.S.C. chapters 311–317.

⁶ A *major rule* means any rule that the Office of Management and Budget finds has resulted in or is likely to result in (a) an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more; (b) a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, geographic regions, Federal, State, or local government agencies; or (c) significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets (5 U.S.C. 804(2)).

D. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996,⁷ requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of the regulatory action on small business and other small entities and to minimize any significant economic impact. The term *small entities* comprises small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000 (5 U.S.C. 601(6)). Accordingly, DOT policy requires an analysis of the impact of all regulations on small entities, and mandates that agencies strive to lessen any adverse effects on these businesses.

No regulatory flexibility analysis is required, however, if the head of an agency or an appropriate designee certifies that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. FMCSA anticipates that this proposed rule would not impact any regulated entities because they are already following the proposed provisions.

Consequently, I certify that the proposed action would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

E. Assistance for Small Entities

In accordance with section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121, 110 Stat. 857), FMCSA wants to assist small entities in understanding this proposed rule so they can better evaluate its effects on themselves and participate in the rulemaking initiative. If the proposed rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce or otherwise determine compliance with Federal regulations to the Small Business Administration's Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman (Office of the National Ombudsman, see <https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/oversight-advocacy/office-national-ombudsman>) and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these

⁷ Public Law 104–121, 110 Stat. 857, (Mar. 29, 1996).

actions annually and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by employees of FMCSA, call 1–888–REG–FAIR (1–888–734–3247). DOT has a policy regarding the rights of small entities to regulatory enforcement fairness and an explicit policy against retaliation for exercising these rights.

F. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) (UMRA) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. The Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or Tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$206 million (which is the value equivalent of \$100 million in 1995, adjusted for inflation to 2024 levels) or more in any 1 year. Because this proposed rule would not result in such an expenditure, a written statement is not required.

G. Paperwork Reduction Act

This proposed rule contains no new information collection requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

H. E.O. 13132 (Federalism)

A rule has implications for federalism under section 1(a) of E.O. 13132 if it has "substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government."

FMCSA has determined that this proposed rule would not have substantial direct costs on or for States, nor would it limit the policymaking discretion of States. Nothing in this document preempts any State law or regulation. Therefore, this rulemaking does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Impact Statement.

I. Privacy

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005,⁸ requires the Agency to assess the privacy impact of a regulation that will affect the privacy of individuals. This NPRM would not require the collection of personally identifiable information.

The Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) applies only to Federal agencies and any non-Federal agency that receives records contained in a system of records from a Federal agency for use in a matching program.

⁸ Public Law 108–447, 118 Stat. 2809, 3268, note following 5 U.S.C. 552a (Dec. 4, 2014).

The E-Government Act of 2002,⁹ requires Federal agencies to conduct a Privacy Impact Analysis (PIA) for new or substantially changed technology that collects, maintains, or disseminates information in an identifiable form. No new or substantially changed technology would collect, maintain, or disseminate information as a result of this proposed rule. Accordingly, FMCSA has not conducted a PIA.

In addition, the Agency will complete a Privacy Threshold Assessment (PTA) to evaluate the risks and effects the proposed rulemaking might have on collecting, storing, and sharing personally identifiable information. The PTA will be submitted to FMCSA's Privacy Officer for review and preliminary adjudication and to DOT's Privacy Officer for review and final adjudication.

J. E.O. 13175 (Indian Tribal Governments)

This rulemaking does not have Tribal implications under E.O. 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian Tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes.

K. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

FMCSA analyzed this proposed rule pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). The Agency believes this proposed rule, if finalized, would not have a reasonably foreseeable significant effect on the quality of the human environment. This action would likely fall under a published categorical exclusion and thus be excluded from further analysis and documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement under FMCSA Order 5610.1 (69 FR 9680, Mar. 1, 2004), Appendix 2. Specifically, paragraphs (6)(q) and (6)(z), which cover regulations pertaining to records preservation and minimum qualifications for CMV drivers, respectively. The public is invited to comment on the impact of the proposed Agency action.

L. Rulemaking Summary

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(4), a summary of this proposed rule may be

found at *regulations.gov*, under the docket number.

List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 390

Highway safety, Intermodal transportation, Motor carriers, Motor vehicle safety, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, FMCSA proposes to amend 49 CFR part 390 to read as follows:

PART 390—FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY REGULATIONS; GENERAL

■ 1. The authority citation for part 390 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 113, 504, 508, 31132, 31133, 31134, 31136, 31137, 31144, 31149, 31151, 31502; sec. 114, Pub. L. 103–311, 108 Stat. 1673, 1677; secs. 212 and 217, Pub. L. 106–159, 113 Stat. 1748, 1766, 1767; sec. 229, Pub. L. 106–159 (as added and transferred by sec. 4115 and amended by secs. 4130–4132, Pub. L. 109–59, 119 Stat. 1144, 1726, 1743, 1744), 113 Stat. 1748, 1773; sec. 4136, Pub. L. 109–59, 119 Stat. 1144, 1745; secs. 32101(d) and 32934, Pub. L. 112–141, 126 Stat. 405, 778, 830; sec. 2, Pub. L. 113–125, 128 Stat. 1388; secs. 5403, 5518, and 5524, Pub. L. 114–94, 129 Stat. 1312, 1548, 1558, 1560; sec. 2, Pub. L. 115–105, 131 Stat. 2263; and 49 CFR 1.81, 1.81a, 1.87.

■ 2. Amend § 390.5 by:

- a. Lifting the suspension of the section;
- b. Revising the definition of “accident” and adding the definition of “medical treatment”; and
- c. Suspending the section indefinitely.

The revision and addition read as follows:

§ 390.5 Definitions.

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Accident means—

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this definition, an occurrence involving a commercial motor vehicle operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate commerce which results in:

- (i) A fatality;
- (ii) Bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident; or
- (iii) One or more motor vehicles incurring disabling damage as a result of the accident, requiring the motor vehicle(s) to be transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other motor vehicle.

(2) The term accident does not include:

- (i) An occurrence involving only boarding and alighting from a stationary motor vehicle; or

(ii) An occurrence involving only the loading or unloading of cargo.

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Medical treatment does not include an x-ray examination or other imaging such as computed tomography. A person who does not receive treatment for diagnosed injuries or other medical intervention directly related to the accident has not received “medical treatment.” Medical treatment does include being given prescription medication (or the prescription itself).

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■ 3. Amend § 390.5T by revising the definition of “accident” and adding the definition of “medical treatment” to read as follows:

§ 390.5T Definitions.

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Accident means—

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this definition, an occurrence involving a commercial motor vehicle operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate commerce which results in:

- (i) A fatality;
- (ii) Bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident; or
- (iii) One or more motor vehicles incurring disabling damage as a result of the accident, requiring the motor vehicle(s) to be transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other motor vehicle.

(2) The term accident does not include:

- (i) An occurrence involving only boarding and alighting from a stationary motor vehicle; or
- (ii) An occurrence involving only the loading or unloading of cargo.

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Issued under authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87.

Sue Lawless,
Assistant Administrator.

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