

Existing law provides for specific offenses for which a fire marshal, the first assistant fire marshal, each deputy fire marshal, certified local authorities, and state or municipal arson investigators, while engaged in the performance of their duties as such, are authorized to investigate and make arrests.

Existing law provides for the crime of failure to register as a convicted arsonist and violations of a fire marshal's orders.

New law retains existing law and adds the crimes of failure to register as a convicted arsonist and violations of a fire marshal's orders related to activities determined to pose an immediate danger to life to the list of offenses for which a fire marshal, the first assistant fire marshal, each deputy fire marshal, certified local authorities, and state or municipal arson investigators, while engaged in the performance of their duties as such, are authorized to conduct investigations and make arrests.

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