



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB2471

Introduced 1/30/2018, by Sen. Linda Holmes

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 748/3

Amends the Volunteer Emergency Worker Job Protection Act. Provides that "volunteer emergency worker" means a person who serves as a member of a fire department of a fire protection district, municipality, or other unit of government on other than a full-time career basis and who meets the requirements for volunteer status under the Code of Federal Regulations and Opinion Letters from the United States Department of Labor. Provides that "volunteer emergency worker" also means, including, but not limited to, a person who serves on a volunteer basis and is licensed under the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act as an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) (First Responder), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate (EMT-I), Advanced Emergency Medical Responder (A-EMT), or Paramedic (EMT-P), or a volunteer ambulance driver or attendant, and the person does not work in one of these capacities for another fire department, fire protection district, or governmental entity on a full-time career basis. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Volunteer Emergency Worker Job Protection
5 Act is amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 748/3)

7 Sec. 3. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Volunteer emergency worker" means a person who serves as a
9 member of a fire department of a fire protection district,
10 municipality, or other unit of government on other than a
11 full-time career basis and who meets the requirements for
12 volunteer status provided in Section 553.106 of Title 29 of the
13 Code of Federal Regulations and United States Department of
14 Labor Wage and Hour Opinion Letter FLSA 2006-28 and United
15 States Department of Labor Wage and Hour Opinion Letter FLSA
16 2005-51 ~~firefighter who does not receive monetary compensation~~
17 ~~for his or her services to a fire department or fire protection~~
18 ~~district and who does not work for any other fire department or~~
19 ~~fire protection district for monetary compensation.~~ "Volunteer
20 emergency worker" also means, including, but not limited to, a
21 person who serves on a volunteer basis and is licensed under
22 the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act as an
23 Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) (First Responder), Emergency

1 Medical Technician (EMT), Emergency Medical
2 Technician-Intermediate (EMT-I), Advanced Emergency Medical
3 Responder (A-EMT), or Paramedic (EMT-P), or a volunteer
4 ambulance driver or attendant, and the person does not work in
5 one of these capacities for another fire department, fire
6 protection district, or governmental entity on a full-time
7 career basis ~~who does not receive monetary compensation for his~~
8 ~~or her services as a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician~~
9 ~~(licensed as an EMT, EMT I, A EMT, or Paramedic under the~~
10 ~~Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act), a volunteer~~
11 ~~ambulance driver or attendant, or a volunteer "Emergency~~
12 ~~Medical Responder", as defined in Sec. 3.50 of the Emergency~~
13 ~~Medical Services (EMT) Systems Act, to a fire department, fire~~
14 ~~protection district, or other governmental entity and who does~~
15 ~~not work in one of these capacities for any other fire~~
16 ~~department, fire protection district, or governmental entity~~
17 ~~for monetary compensation. "Volunteer emergency worker" also~~
18 means a person who is a volunteer member of a county or
19 municipal emergency services and disaster agency pursuant to
20 the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, an auxiliary
21 policeman appointed pursuant to the Municipal Code, or an
22 auxiliary deputy appointed by a county sheriff pursuant to the
23 Counties Code.

24 "Monetary compensation" does not include a monetary
25 incentive awarded to a firefighter by the board of trustees of
26 a fire protection district under Section 6 of the Fire

1 Protection District Act.

2 (Source: P.A. 98-973, eff. 8-15-14.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
4 becoming law.