



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3501/825-80
20 ILCS 3501/825-81
20 ILCS 3501/825-85

Amends the Illinois Finance Authority Act. Makes changes concerning the fire truck revolving loan program, the fire station revolving loan program, and the ambulance revolving loan program. Provides that those loans shall be paid out of certain locally held funds established by the Illinois Finance Authority. Provides that loans for the purchase of fire trucks may not exceed \$750,000 per truck. Provides that loans for the purchase of ambulances may not exceed \$350,000 to any fire department, fire protection district, or non-profit ambulance service. Makes other changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Finance Authority Act is amended
5 by changing Sections 825-80, 825-81, and 825-85 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3501/825-80)

7 Sec. 825-80. Fire truck revolving loan program.

8 (a) This Section is a continuation and re-enactment of the
9 fire truck revolving loan program enacted as Section 3-27 of
10 the Rural Bond Bank Act by Public Act 93-35, effective June 24,
11 2003, and repealed by Public Act 93-205, effective January 1,
12 2004. Under the Rural Bond Bank Act, the program was
13 administered by the Rural Bond Bank and the State Fire
14 Marshal.

15 (a-5) For purposes of this Section, "brush truck" means a
16 pickup chassis with or equipped with a flatbed or a pickup box.
17 The truck must be rated by the manufacturer as between
18 three-fourths of a ton and one ton and outfitted with a fire or
19 rescue apparatus.

20 (b) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may jointly
21 administer a fire truck revolving loan program. The program
22 shall, in instances where sufficient loan funds exist to
23 permit applications to be accepted, provide zero-interest and

1 low-interest loans for the purchase of fire trucks by a fire
2 department, a fire protection district, or a township fire
3 department. For the purchase of brush trucks by a fire
4 department, a fire protection district, or a township fire
5 department, the program shall provide loans at a 2% rate of
6 simple interest per year for a brush truck if both the chassis
7 and the apparatus are built outside of Illinois, a 1% rate of
8 simple interest per year for a brush truck if either the
9 chassis or the apparatus is built in Illinois, or a 0% rate of
10 interest for a brush truck if both the chassis and the
11 apparatus are built in Illinois. The Authority shall make
12 loans based on need, as determined by the State Fire Marshal.

13 (c) The loan funds, ~~subject to appropriation,~~ shall be
14 paid out of the Illinois Finance Authority Fire Truck
15 Revolving Loan Fund, a locally held fund established by the
16 Authority ~~a special fund in the State Treasury.~~ The Fund shall
17 consist of any moneys transferred ~~or appropriated~~ into the
18 Fund, as well as all repayments of loans made under the program
19 ~~and any balance existing in the Fund on the effective date of~~
20 ~~this Section.~~ The Fund shall be used for loans to fire
21 departments and fire protection districts to purchase fire
22 trucks and brush trucks and for no other purpose. All interest
23 earned on moneys in the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund.
24 ~~As soon as practical after January 1, 2013 (the effective date~~
25 ~~of Public Act 97-901), all moneys in the Fire Truck Revolving~~
26 ~~Loan Fund shall be paid by the State Fire Marshal to the~~

1 ~~Authority, and, on and after that date, all future moneys~~
2 ~~deposited into the Fire Truck Revolving Loan Fund under this~~
3 ~~Section shall be paid by the State Fire Marshal to the~~
4 ~~Authority under the continuing appropriation provision of~~
5 ~~subsection (c 1) of this Section; provided that the Authority~~
6 ~~and the State Fire Marshal enter into an intergovernmental~~
7 ~~agreement to use the moneys transferred to the Authority from~~
8 ~~the Fund solely for the purposes for which the moneys would~~
9 ~~otherwise be used under this Section and to set forth~~
10 ~~procedures to otherwise administer the use of the moneys.~~

11 (c-1) There is hereby appropriated, on a continuing annual
12 basis in each fiscal year, from the Fire Truck Revolving Loan
13 Fund, a special fund in the State Treasury, the amount, if any,
14 of funds received into the Fire Truck Revolving Loan Fund to
15 the State Fire Marshal for payment to the Authority for the
16 purposes for which the moneys would otherwise be used under
17 this Section.

18 (d) A loan for the purchase of fire trucks ~~or brush trucks~~
19 may not exceed \$750,000 per truck ~~\$350,000~~ to any fire
20 department or fire protection district. A loan for the
21 purchase of brush trucks may not exceed \$100,000 per truck.
22 The repayment period for the loan may not exceed 20 years. The
23 fire department or fire protection district shall repay each
24 year at least 5% of the principal amount borrowed or the
25 remaining balance of the loan, whichever is less. All
26 repayments of loans shall be deposited into the Illinois

1 Finance Authority Fire Truck Revolving Loan Fund.

2 (e) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may adopt
3 rules in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure
4 Act to administer the program.

5 (f) Notwithstanding the repeal of Section 3-27 of the
6 Rural Bond Bank Act, all otherwise lawful actions taken on or
7 after January 1, 2004 and before the effective date of this
8 Section by any person under the authority originally granted
9 by that Section 3-27, including without limitation the
10 granting, acceptance, and repayment of loans for the purchase
11 of fire trucks, are hereby validated, and the rights and
12 obligations of all parties to any such loan are hereby
13 acknowledged and confirmed.

14 (Source: P.A. 97-900, eff. 8-6-12; 97-901, eff. 1-1-13;
15 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 98-662, eff. 6-23-14.)

16 (20 ILCS 3501/825-81)

17 Sec. 825-81. Fire station revolving loan program.

18 (a) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may jointly
19 administer a fire station revolving loan program. The program
20 shall, in instances where sufficient loan funds exist to
21 permit applications to be accepted, provide zero-interest and
22 low-interest loans for the construction, rehabilitation,
23 remodeling, or expansion of a fire station or the acquisition
24 of land for the construction or expansion of a fire station by
25 a fire department, a fire protection district, or a township

1 fire department. Once the program receives funding, the
2 Authority shall make loans based on need, as determined by the
3 State Fire Marshal.

4 (b) The loan funds, ~~subject to appropriation,~~ may be paid
5 out of the Illinois Finance Authority Fire Station Revolving
6 Loan Fund, a locally held fund established by the Authority ~~a~~
7 ~~special fund in the State treasury.~~ The Fund may consist of any
8 moneys transferred or appropriated into the Fund, as well as
9 all repayments of loans made under the program. Once the
10 program receives funding, the Fund may be used for loans to
11 fire departments and fire protection districts to construct,
12 rehabilitate, remodel, or expand fire stations or acquire land
13 for the construction or expansion of fire stations and for no
14 other purpose. All interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall
15 be deposited into the Fund. ~~As soon as practical after the~~
16 ~~effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General~~
17 ~~Assembly, all moneys in the Fire Station Revolving Loan Fund~~
18 ~~shall be paid by the State Fire Marshal to the Authority, and,~~
19 ~~on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the~~
20 ~~97th General Assembly, all future moneys deposited into the~~
21 ~~Fire Station Revolving Loan Fund under this Section shall be~~
22 ~~paid by the State Fire Marshal to the Authority under the~~
23 ~~continuing appropriation provision of subsection (b-1) of this~~
24 ~~Section; provided that the Authority and the State Fire~~
25 ~~Marshal enter into an intergovernmental agreement to use the~~
26 ~~moneys paid by the State Fire Marshal to the Authority from the~~

1 ~~Fund solely for the purposes for which the moneys would~~
2 ~~otherwise be used under this Section and to set forth~~
3 ~~procedures to otherwise administer the use of the moneys.~~

4 (b-1) There is hereby appropriated, on a continuing annual
5 basis in each fiscal year, from the Fire Station Revolving
6 Loan Fund, a special fund in the State Treasury, the amount, if
7 any, of funds received into the Fire Station Revolving Loan
8 Fund to the State Fire Marshal for payment to the Authority for
9 the purposes for which the moneys would otherwise be used
10 under this Section.

11 (c) A loan under the program may not exceed \$2,000,000 to
12 any fire department or fire protection district. The repayment
13 period for the loan may not exceed 25 years. The fire
14 department or fire protection district shall repay each year
15 at least 4% of the principal amount borrowed or the remaining
16 balance of the loan, whichever is less. All repayments of
17 loans shall be deposited into the Fire Station Revolving Loan
18 Fund.

19 (d) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may adopt
20 rules in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure
21 Act to administer the program.

22 (Source: P.A. 96-135, eff. 8-7-09; 96-1172, eff. 7-22-10;
23 97-901, eff. 1-1-13.)

24 (20 ILCS 3501/825-85)

25 Sec. 825-85. Ambulance revolving loan program.

1 (a) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may jointly
2 administer an ambulance revolving loan program. The program
3 shall, in instances where sufficient loan funds exist to
4 permit applications to be accepted, provide zero-interest and
5 low-interest loans for the purchase of ambulances by a fire
6 department, a fire protection district, a township fire
7 department, or a non-profit ambulance service. The Authority
8 shall make loans based on need, as determined by the State Fire
9 Marshal.

10 (b) The loan funds, ~~subject to appropriation,~~ shall be
11 paid out of the Illinois Finance Authority Ambulance Revolving
12 Loan Fund, a locally held fund established by the Authority ~~a~~
13 ~~special fund in the State treasury.~~ The Fund shall consist of
14 any moneys transferred ~~or appropriated~~ into the Fund, as well
15 as all repayments of loans made under the program. The Fund
16 shall be used for loans to fire departments, fire protection
17 districts, and non-profit ambulance services to purchase
18 ambulances and for no other purpose. All interest earned on
19 moneys in the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund. ~~As soon as~~
20 ~~practical after the effective date of this amendatory Act of~~
21 ~~the 97th General Assembly, all moneys in the Ambulance~~
22 ~~Revolving Loan Fund shall be paid by the State Fire Marshal to~~
23 ~~the Authority, and, on and after the effective date of this~~
24 ~~amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, all future moneys~~
25 ~~deposited into the Ambulance Revolving Loan Fund under this~~
26 ~~Section shall be paid by the State Fire Marshal to the~~

1 ~~Authority under the continuing appropriation provision of~~
2 ~~subsection (b-1) of this Section; provided that the Authority~~
3 ~~and the State Fire Marshal enter into an intergovernmental~~
4 ~~agreement to use the moneys transferred to the Authority from~~
5 ~~the Fund solely for the purposes for which the moneys would~~
6 ~~otherwise be used under this Section and to set forth~~
7 ~~procedures to otherwise administer the use of the moneys.~~

8 (b-1) There is hereby appropriated, on a continuing annual
9 basis in each fiscal year, from the Ambulance Revolving Loan
10 Fund, a special fund in the State Treasury, the amount, if any,
11 of funds received into the Ambulance Revolving Loan Fund to
12 the State Fire Marshal for payment to the Authority for the
13 purposes for which the moneys would otherwise be used under
14 this Section.

15 (c) A loan for the purchase of ambulances may not exceed
16 \$350,000 ~~\$200,000~~ to any fire department, fire protection
17 district, or non-profit ambulance service. The repayment
18 period for the loan may not exceed 10 years. The fire
19 department, fire protection district, or non-profit ambulance
20 service` shall repay each year at least 5% of the principal
21 amount borrowed or the remaining balance of the loan,
22 whichever is less. All repayments of loans shall be deposited
23 into the Illinois Finance Authority Ambulance Revolving Loan
24 Fund.

25 (d) The Authority and the State Fire Marshal may adopt
26 rules in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure

- 1 Act to administer the program.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 100-152, eff. 1-1-18.)