

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB2979

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 740/11.5 new 65 ILCS 5/11-6-11 new 70 ILCS 705/11n new

Amends the Illinois Fire Protection Training Act, Illinois Municipal Code, and Fire Protection District Act. Provides that a firefighter or firefighter trainee shall not be required to carry fire protective clothing and safety and protective equipment that weighs more than 75 pounds or more than 50% of the firefighter's weight, whichever is less. Effective immediately.

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HOME RULE NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Fire Protection Training Act is amended by adding Section 11.5 as follows:
- 6 (50 ILCS 740/11.5 new)
- Sec. 11.5. Maximum weight a trainee may carry. The Office
- 8 <u>must adopt a rule or rules limiting the maximum weight of fire</u>
- 9 protective clothing and safety and protective equipment that a
- 10 trainee may carry to 75 pounds or more than 50% of the
- 11 trainee's weight, whichever is less.
- 12 Section 10. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by
- 13 adding Section 11-6-11 as follows:
- 14 (65 ILCS 5/11-6-11 new)
- Sec. 11-6-11. Maximum weight of clothing and safety and
- 16 protective equipment. A firefighter shall not be required to
- 17 carry fire protective clothing and safety and protective
- 18 equipment that weighs more than 75 pounds or more than 50% of
- 19 the firefighter's weight, whichever is less.
- 20 Section 15. The Fire Protection District Act is amended by

- 1 adding Section 11n as follows:
- 2 (70 ILCS 705/11n new)
- 3 Sec. 11n. Maximum weight of clothing and safety and
- 4 protective equipment. A firefighter shall not be required to
- 5 <u>carry fire protective clothing and safety and protective</u>
- 6 equipment that weighs more than 75 pounds or more than 50% of
- 7 <u>the firefighter's weight, whichever is less.</u>
- 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 9 becoming law.