

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# State of Illinois

## 2019 and 2020

#### SB3224

Introduced 2/11/2020, by Sen. Jason A. Barickman

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/232 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that each individual who serves as a volunteer firefighter or a volunteer EMS provider during the taxable year is entitled to a credit in an amount equal to \$500. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding
Section 232 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 5/232 new) 7 Sec. 232. Volunteer firefighters and volunteer EMS 8 providers. 9 (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, each individual who serves as a volunteer firefighter or 10 a volunteer EMS provider during the taxable year is entitled to 11 12 a credit against the taxes imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount equal to \$500. 13 14 (b) In no event shall a credit under this Section reduce a taxpayer's liability to less than zero. If the amount of credit 15

15 <u>taxpayer's liability to less than zero. If the amount of credit</u> 16 <u>exceeds the tax liability for the year, the excess may be</u> 17 <u>carried forward and applied to the tax liability for the 5</u> 18 <u>taxable years following the excess credit year. The tax credit</u> 19 <u>shall be applied to the earliest year for which there is a tax</u> 20 <u>liability. If there are credits for more than one year that are</u> 21 <u>available to offset liability, the earlier credit shall be</u> 22 <u>applied first.</u>

23 (c) As used in this Section:

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|---|--|----------|------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| 1 | "Volunteer EMS provider                        | " has th | ne meaning | g given  | to that  | term         |
| 2 | in Section 1-220 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. |          |            |          |          |              |
| 3 | "Volunteer firefighter"                        | means    | a firefi   | ghter w  | who does | <u>not</u>   |
| 4 | receive monetary compensat                     | ion for  | his or     | her se   | ervices  | to a         |
| 5 | municipality, county, or fir                   | re prote | ction dis  | strict.  |          |              |
| 6 | (d) This Section is exe                        | empt fro | om the pr  | ovision  | s of Sea | <u>ction</u> |
| 7 | <u>250.</u>                                    |          |            |          |          |              |
|   |  |          |            |          |          |              |
| 8 | Section 99. Effective                          | date. :  | This Act   | takes    | effect   | upon         |

9 becoming law.