

SB1421



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/7/2023, by Sen. Patrick J. Joyce

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2905/5 new

Amends the State Fire Marshal Act. Establishes, subject to appropriation, the Division of Certified Youth Firesetter Interventionists within the Office of the State Fire Marshall. Provides that the Division shall consist of certified youth firesetter interventionists who conduct youth firesetter interventions when local authorities cannot do so on their own or when multiple local authorities in separate jurisdictions are involved. Describes the duties of the Division. Contains other provisions.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The State Fire Marshal Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2905/5 new)

7 Sec. 5. Certified youth firesetter interventionists.

8 Subject to appropriation, the Division of Certified Youth
9 Firesetter Interventionists is established within the Office
10 of the State Fire Marshall. The Division shall consist of
11 certified youth firesetter interventionists who conduct youth
12 firesetter interventions when local authorities cannot do so
13 on their own or when multiple local authorities in separate
14 jurisdictions are involved. The Division shall assist youth
15 firesetter interventionists throughout the State who have
16 limited capabilities or particularly challenging cases. The
17 Division shall conduct training to certify youth firesetter
18 interventionists throughout the State. The Division shall be
19 headed by the Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator,
20 who shall facilitate calls to the Division for referrals and
21 Freedom of Information Act requests and central record keeping
22 in the Office. Each certified youth firesetter interventionist
23 employed by the Division shall be compensated at a rate that is

1 comparable to the rate of compensation for a State arson
2 investigator and shall be provided with a vehicle to perform
3 the duties described in this Section.