



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5301

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Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE REMITTANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT AWARDS TO LOCAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 7-323r of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2020*):

3 (a) The State Fire Administrator [may, within available funds,] shall
4 administer a supplemental grant award remittance program to support
5 local volunteer fire companies that provide emergency response
6 services on a limited access highway, or, on a section of the highway
7 known as the Berlin Turnpike, which begins at the end of the existing
8 Wilbur Cross Parkway in the town of Meriden and extends northerly
9 along Route 15 to the beginning of that section of limited access highway
10 in the town of Wethersfield known as the South Meadows Expressway,
11 or on that section of Route 8 in Beacon Falls which is within the
12 boundaries of the Naugatuck State Forest. [Eligible fire companies]
13 Except as provided by subsection (b) of this section, for each emergency
14 response service rendered, an eligible fire company may opt to receive
15 (1) direct payment of grant funds [or may use the funds as credits for]

16 in the amount of one hundred dollars, or (2) an equivalent number of
17 credits. Such credits may be used to purchase fee-based services
18 provided by the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control. Any such
19 credits shall be used during the fiscal year for which they are received.

20 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, a
21 supplemental grant award shall not be remitted to an eligible fire
22 company for any response service rendered on the Berlin Turnpike, as
23 described in subsection (a) of this section, unless such service involved
24 a motor vehicle fire.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2020	7-323r

Statement of Purpose:

To require the State Fire Administrator to remit one hundred dollars or an equivalent amount in credits to a volunteer fire company that provides an emergency response service on certain highways.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]