
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, BARRAR, McNEILL, ZIMMERMAN AND DEASY,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, FEBRUARY 21, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in volunteer firefighters, further
3 providing for use of funds of a volunteer firefighters'
4 relief association.

5 The General Assembly finds that the safe operation of a fire
6 or emergency vehicle is of paramount concern, both for a
7 firefighter riding in the fire or emergency vehicle and for the
8 public at large. Safe operation of a fire or emergency vehicle
9 is increased when the operator is the holder of a commercial
10 driver's license. Therefore, the General Assembly declares that
11 the provision of aid to defray the cost of obtaining or renewing
12 a commercial driver's license is in the best interest of this
13 Commonwealth.

14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
15 hereby enacts as follows:

16 Section 1. Section 7416(f) of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania
17 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
18 § 7416. Funds.

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2 (f) Use.--Funds of any volunteer firefighters' relief
3 association may be spent:

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5 (18) To defray the cost of obtaining or renewing a
6 commercial driver's license under 75 Pa.C.S. Ch. 16 (relating
7 to commercial drivers) for a volunteer firefighter who is a
8 resident of this Commonwealth to operate a fire or emergency
9 vehicle registered to the fire department or municipality.

10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.