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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes reimbursement for EMT training from EMT Training Fund for certain volunteer firefighters.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning reimbursement for emergency medical
2 technician training and amending P.L.1992, c.143.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 4 of P.L.1992, c.143 (C.26:2K-57) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 4. The commissioner, in accordance with recommendations
10 adopted by the council, and within the limits of those monies in the
11 fund, shall annually reimburse any private agency, organization or
12 entity which is certified by the commissioner to provide training
13 and testing for certified volunteer members of volunteer ambulance,
14 first aid and rescue **[squad personnel]** squads, or certified volunteer
15 members of volunteer fire companies who are seeking emergency
16 medical technician-ambulance, or EMT-A, or emergency medical
17 technician-defibrillation, or EMT-D, certification or recertification,
18 or an entity which provides an educational program in the
19 administration of epinephrine auto-injector devices that is approved
20 by the commissioner pursuant to P.L.2003, c.1 (C.26:2K-47.1 et
21 al.), and for which that entity is not otherwise reimbursed.

22 The priority for reimbursement from the fund to an agency,
23 organization or entity for training and testing of certified volunteer
24 members of volunteer ambulance, first aid and rescue **[squad**
25 **personnel]** squads and volunteer fire companies shall be in the
26 following order: EMT-A certification, EMT-A recertification,
27 EMT-D certification, EMT-B certification and EMT-B
28 recertification, EMT-D recertification and certification to
29 administer epinephrine auto-injector devices pursuant to P.L.2003,
30 c.1 (C.26:2K-47.1 et al.).

31 (cf: P.L.2003, c.1, s.9)

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33 2. Section 5 of P.L.1992, c.143 (C.26:2K-58) is amended to
34 read as follows:

35 5. An agency, organization or other entity which receives
36 monies from the fund shall not charge a fee to a person who is
37 certified to be a member of, or an applicant to be a member of, a
38 volunteer ambulance, first aid or rescue squad or a volunteer fire
39 company by the chief supervising officer of that squad or
40 organization.

41 (cf: P.L.1992, c.143, s.5)

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43 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 STATEMENT

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3 This bill clarifies that agencies, entities and organizations that
4 train and certify volunteer emergency medical technicians will be
5 reimbursed for the cost of providing that training and certification
6 to volunteer members of first aid and rescue squads, as well as to
7 volunteer firefighters.

8 Currently, any private agency, organization or entity that trains
9 and tests members of volunteer ambulance, first aid and rescue
10 squads seeking emergency medical technician certification or
11 recertification may be reimbursed from the Emergency Medical
12 Technician Training Fund. This bill provides that reimbursement
13 will also be made when this training is provided to members of
14 volunteer fire companies.