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Committee Bill No. 283

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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:
(LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING PAID LEAVE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TRAINING.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) (a) Any employee of an
2 employer who is an active volunteer firefighter may attend training
3 sessions or drills during such employee's regular hours of
4 employment, up to eight hours per calendar year, without loss of pay,
5 vacation time, sick leave or earned overtime accumulation. An
6 employer may require reasonable (1) prior notification of such
7 employee's absence from work for such training or drills, and (2)
8 verification of such employee's attendance at such training or drills.

9 (b) For purposes of this section, "employer" means a person engaged
10 in business who has more than one hundred employees, excluding the
11 state and its political subdivisions, and "employee" means any person
12 engaged in service to an employer in a business of the employer.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require that employers of more than one hundred employees allow at least eight hours of paid leave annually for volunteer firefighters to receive training.

[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.]

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