

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2759

By: Caldwell (Trey) and Kendrix
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7 An Act relating to volunteer firefighters;
8 establishing the Oklahoma Volunteer Firefighter
9 Support Program; creating a grant program; allowing
10 for a certain number of training hours; providing for
11 certification of training; requiring an application
12 process; authorizing the promulgation of rules;
13 creating the Oklahoma Volunteer Firefighter Support
14 Revolving Fund; providing for codification; and
15 providing an effective date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 342.22 of Title 74, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
21 Volunteer Firefighter Support Program".

22 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 342.23 of Title 74, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created a grant program to support the
training needs of volunteer firefighters in Oklahoma. The program

1 shall assist volunteer firefighters in receiving up to ten (10)
2 hours in training a year from programs approved by the State Fire
3 Marshal or by the Forestry Division of the Oklahoma Department of
4 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry.

5 B. The State Fire Marshal shall create an application system
6 for volunteer firefighters to apply for the grant assistance. The
7 State Fire Marshal may promulgate rules for the grant program.

8 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 342.24 of Title 74, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
12 for the State Fire Marshal to be designated the "Oklahoma Volunteer
13 Firefighter Support Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
14 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
15 all monies received by the State Fire Marshal from appropriations,
16 donations, grants, or other sources of funding specifically
17 designated for deposit to the Oklahoma Volunteer Firefighter Support
18 Revolving Fund. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are
19 hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the State
20 Fire Marshal for the purpose of this act. Expenditures from said
21 fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
22 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
23 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
24 payment.

