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HOUSE BILL DRH40065-MH-29\* (01/31)

Short Title: Local Firefighter Relief Fund Eligibility. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Clampitt and Saine (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ANY DESTITUTE FIREFIGHTER SERVING HONORABLY  
3 WITH A CERTIFIED FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
4 FROM A LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF FUND.  
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
6 SECTION 1. G.S. 58-84-35(a) reads as rewritten:  
7 "§ 58-84-35. Disbursement of funds by trustees.  
8 (a) The board of trustees shall have entire control of the funds derived from the provisions  
9 of this Article, and shall disburse the funds only for the following purposes:  
10 ...  
11 (2a) To provide assistance, upon approval by the Executive Director of the North  
12 Carolina State Firefighters' Association, to a destitute member firefighter who  
13 has served or is serving honorably ~~for at least five years, with a certified fire~~  
14 department. The determination of destitute shall be based on the inability of the  
15 firefighters, through no fault of their own, to provide basic provisions to  
16 themselves or their families. Such basic provisions include, but are not limited  
17 to, assistance with housing, vehicle or commuting expenses, food, clothing,  
18 utilities, medical care, and funeral expenses.  
19 ...."  
20 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2017, and applies to distributions to  
21 local firefighters' relief funds on or after that date.



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