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AN ACT to amend the tax law and the state finance law, in relation to the New York state volunteer fire protection emergency reimbursement account for reimbursement for expenses incurred relating to procurement of personal protective equipment and other expenses; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 186-f of the tax
2 law, as added by section 3 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2009,
3 is amended to read as follows:

4 (a) forty-one and seven-tenths of the revenues collected and received
5 under this section into the [~~state-general-fund~~] New York state volun-
6 teer fire protection emergency reimbursement account established pursu-
7 ant to section ninety-nine-ii of the state finance law; and

8 § 2. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 99-ii to
9 read as follows:

10 § 99-ii. New York state volunteer fire protection emergency reimburse-
11 ment account. 1. There is hereby established in the joint custody of the
12 state comptroller and the commissioner of the department of taxation and
13 finance a special fund to be known as the New York state volunteer fire
14 protection emergency reimbursement account. Moneys in this account shall
15 be kept separate and not commingled with any other moneys in the custody
16 of the comptroller.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 2. The sum equal to the amount identified in paragraph (a) of subdivi-
2 sion five of section one hundred eighty-six-f of the tax law shall be
3 credited to the fund.

4 3. (a) Monies collected and deposited into the New York state volun-
5 teer fire protection emergency reimbursement account shall be used to:
6 reimburse volunteer fire companies, volunteer fire departments, volun-
7 teer fire districts, volunteer fire protection districts and not-for-
8 profit emergency medical services for expenses incurred related to
9 procurement of personal protective equipment including but not be limit-
10 ed to, face shields, eye protection, isolation gowns, face masks, respi-
11 rators, and turnout gear; and to reimburse volunteer fire companies,
12 volunteer fire departments, volunteer fire districts, volunteer fire
13 protection districts and not-for-profit emergency medical services for
14 lost revenues due to municipal budget cuts or restrictions on public
15 revenue raising events during the state of emergency declared by the
16 governor pursuant to section twenty-nine of the executive law beginning
17 March seventh, two thousand twenty.

18 (b) Such reimbursements shall only be made upon application by a fire
19 company, department, district, or non-profit EMS service to the New York
20 state division of homeland security. The division of homeland security
21 may require submission of documentation with an application for
22 reimbursement as it deems necessary.

23 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, the
24 provisions of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed one year
25 after the expiration of the governor's declared emergency pursuant to
26 Executive Order 202.