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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. J. MILLER -- read once and referred to the  
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AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, the education law and the tax  
law, in relation to supporting the operation of fire districts provid-  
ing emergency medical services

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 209-b of the general municipal  
2 law, as amended by chapter 718 of the laws of 1958, is amended to read  
3 as follows:

4 4. Fees and charges [prohibited] AUTHORIZED. Emergency and general  
5 ambulance service, INCLUDING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE, authorized  
6 pursuant to this section [shall] MAY be furnished without cost to the  
7 person served; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE AUTHORITIES HAVING CONTROL OF A  
8 FIRE DEPARTMENT OR FIRE COMPANY, EXCEPT IN CITIES OF ONE MILLION OR  
9 MORE, WHO HAVE AUTHORIZED SUCH FIRE DEPARTMENT OR FIRE COMPANY TO  
10 PROVIDE SUCH SERVICE OR SERVICES, MAY ESTABLISH FEES AND CHARGES FOR  
11 SERVICES RENDERED. SUCH AUTHORITIES MAY FORMULATE RULES AND REGULATIONS  
12 FOR THE COLLECTION OF SUCH FEES AND CHARGES. The acceptance by any  
13 fireman of any personal remuneration or gratuity, directly or indirect-  
14 ly, from a person served shall be a ground for [his] expulsion or  
15 suspension as a member of the fire department or fire company.

16 S 2. The opening paragraph of paragraph h of subdivision 2 of section  
17 355 of the education law, as separately amended by chapters 552 and 616  
18 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

19 To regulate the admission of students, prescribe the qualifications  
20 for their continued attendance, regulate tuition charges where no  
21 provision is otherwise made therefor by law, and regulate other fees and  
22 charges, curricula and all other matters pertaining to the operation and  
23 administration of each state-operated institution in the state universi-  
24 ty. FOR THE PURPOSES OF CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE EFFECTIVE ADMINIS-  
25 TRATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, THE TRUSTEES ARE REQUIRED TO  
26 IMPOSE A PER-RESIDENT STUDENT FEE OF NO LESS THAN FIFTY DOLLARS, TO BE  
27 COLLECTED BY THE STATE OPERATED CAMPUSES AND RETAINED IN A SPECIAL

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

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1 REVENUE ACCOUNT TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE OF THE STATE COMP-  
2 TROLLER. THE STATE UNIVERSITY MAY RETAIN ONE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF  
3 SUCH FEE REVENUE FOR THE PURPOSES OF FUNDING ANY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS  
4 ASSOCIATED WITH THE COLLECTION OF THE CAMPUS SAFETY FEE. PURSUANT TO  
5 SUBDIVISION FOUR OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED NINE-B OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL  
6 LAW, FIRE DEPARTMENTS OR FIRE COMPANIES WHICH PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
7 SERVICES TO RESIDENT STUDENTS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY MAY SUBMIT  
8 REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO SUCH STUDENTS ON  
9 FORMS TO BE PRESCRIBED BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER.

10 S 3. Subdivision (a) of section 1262 of the tax law, as added by chap-  
11 ter 93 of the laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

12 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this article, the local law, ordi-  
13 nance or resolution imposing any county tax pursuant to this article may  
14 set aside for county purposes or educational purposes all or any portion  
15 of the net collections therefrom. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW, RULE OR  
16 REGULATION TO THE CONTRARY, EACH COUNTY SHALL SET ASIDE NO LESS THAN  
17 ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT OF ALL SALES TAX REVENUE, AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS  
18 ARTICLE, TO SUPPORT THE FINANCING OF FIRE DISTRICTS AND DEPARTMENTS  
19 WITHIN SUCH COUNTIES THAT PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO ITS  
20 RESIDENTS. SUCH DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED PURSUANT TO A  
21 PLAN TO BE DEVELOPED AND PASSED BY RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF  
22 SUCH COUNTIES, BASED IN PART BY WHAT PERCENTAGE OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN  
23 SUCH FIRE DISTRICTS IS EXEMPT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION UNDER SECTIONS  
24 FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-A AND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-B OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX  
25 LAW. In the event all or a portion of the net collections are so set  
26 aside for educational purposes, the amounts thereof shall be distributed  
27 and paid quarterly to the several school districts in the county in  
28 accordance with the total average daily attendance for the last preced-  
29 ing school year of pupils residing in each such district (without regard  
30 to the location of the school attended), provided, however, that in the  
31 case of school districts which are partially within and partially with-  
32 out the county, such county shall make a distribution to each such  
33 school district in accordance with the total average daily attendance of  
34 the pupils in such school district who reside in such county and in any  
35 such case, the amount to be raised by school taxes by the district from  
36 the portion of such district within such county shall be reduced by the  
37 amount so distributed.

38 S 4. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
39 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.