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Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law and the volunteer ambulance  
workers' benefit law, in relation to coverage for volunteer firefight-  
ers and volunteer ambulance workers performing emergency services

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

1     Section 1. Section 209-i of the general municipal law is amended by  
2     adding a new subdivision 1-b to read as follows:  
3     1-B. IN THE EVENT THAT AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PROVIDES  
4     SERVICES UNDER SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION WHEN THERE IS NO JURIS-  
5     DICTIONAL OFFICER IN COMMAND PRESENT, SUCH VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER SHALL  
6     BE ENTITLED TO COVERAGE UNDER THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' BENEFIT LAW  
7     PROVIDED THE FIRE COMPANY OR MUNICIPALITY THE VOLUNTEER SERVES ADOPTS A  
8     RESOLUTION GRANTING COVERAGE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUCH SERVICES. UPON  
9     ARRIVAL OF A JURISDICTIONAL OFFICER IN COMMAND, SUCH VOLUNTEER SHALL BE  
10    ENTITLED TO BENEFITS IN THE MANNER SET FORTH IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS  
11    SECTION.  
12    S 2. Subdivision 1 of section 5 of the volunteer ambulance workers'  
13    benefit law is amended by adding a new paragraph 1 to read as follows:  
14    1. WHILE, WITHIN THE STATE, PERFORMING DUTIES IN AN AREA OTHER THAN  
15    HIS OR HER OWN RELATED TO THE DELIVERY OF EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE PRIOR TO  
16    THE ARRIVAL OF THE AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT, AMBULANCE COMPANY, OR ANY UNIT  
17    THEREOF THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUCH CARE IN THAT AREA,  
18    PROVIDED THAT THE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS' MUNICIPALITY, AMBULANCE  
19    DEPARTMENT, AMBULANCE COMPANY, OR ANY UNIT THEREOF, ADOPTS A RESOLUTION  
20    GRANTING COVERAGE FOR SUCH DUTIES. UPON THE ARRIVAL OF THE AMBULANCE  
21    DEPARTMENT, AMBULANCE COMPANY, OR ANY UNIT THEREOF RESPONSIBLE FOR EMER-  
22    GENCY HEALTH CARE IN THE AREA, SUCH VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKER SHALL BE  
23    ENTITLED TO BENEFITS IN THE MANNER SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH B OF THIS  
24    SUBDIVISION.  
25    S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
26    it shall have become a law.

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

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