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Introduced by M. of A. CURRAN, FINCH, RAIA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. HAWLEY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the judiciary law, in relation to exempting active volunteer firefighters from jury duty

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

Section 1. The judiciary law is amended by adding a new section 512 to read as follows:

S 512. ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS EXEMPT FROM JURY DUTY. 1. UPON CLAIMING EXEMPTION THEREFROM, A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION THREE OF THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' BENEFIT LAW, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM JURY DUTY.

2. THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COURTS SHALL PRESCRIBE A FORM TO BE USED THEREFOR. ANY QUALIFIED PERSON MAY FILE SUCH FORM WITH THE APPROPRIATE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS WHO SHALL THEREUPON EXEMPT SUCH PERSON FROM JURY DUTY. SUCH EXEMPTION SHALL REMAIN VALID AS LONG AS SUCH PERSON REMAINS A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law; provided that the chief administrator of the courts is authorized to promulgate any and all rules and regulations and take any other measures necessary to implement this act on its effective date on or before such date.

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

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