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the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the state technology law and the state finance law, in  
relation to training and education courses for certain organizations

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

1     Section 1. Section 103 of the state technology law is amended by  
2     adding a new subdivision 22 to read as follows:  
3     22. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, ANY FIRE DISTRICT OR  
4     VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY OR VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE COMPANY OR STATEWIDE  
5     ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS THE INTERESTS OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE SERVICE  
6     AND/OR THE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE  
7     IN THE PROGRAM COMMONLY REFERRED TO OR KNOWN AS THE EMPIRE KNOWLEDGEBANK  
8     OR ANY SUCH SUCCESSOR PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE OFFICE. THE DIRECTOR IS  
9     AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO ADOPT, AMEND OR RESCIND ANY RULES AND/OR  
10    REGULATIONS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS  
11    SECTION. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE TERM "VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY"  
12    SHALL MEAN A FIRE COMPANY AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION ONE HUNDRED  
13    OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND THE TERM "VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE COMPANY"  
14    SHALL MEAN A VOLUNTARY AMBULANCE SERVICE AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN  
15    SECTION ONE HUNDRED OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.  
16    S 2. Subdivision 3 of section 99-q of the state finance law, as added  
17    by chapter 490 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:  
18    3. Moneys in such fund shall be expended only to provide grants to  
19    volunteer firefighting and volunteer emergency services organizations  
20    and to statewide organizations which represent the interests of volun-  
21    teer firefighters and/or volunteer emergency services providers for the  
22    purpose of encouraging the recruitment and retention of volunteer fire-  
23    fighters and volunteer emergency services personnel. Such purposes may  
24    include, but need not be limited to: PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING AND  
25    EDUCATION COURSES OFFERED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION TWENTY-TWO OF SECTION

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

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1 ONE HUNDRED THREE OF THE STATE TECHNOLOGY LAW, development and implemen-  
2 tation of marketing plans, publicity campaigns, and community awareness  
3 initiatives; design, production and distribution of promotional merchan-  
4 dise, brochures and other materials; sponsorship of local community  
5 events designed to help recruit volunteers; newspaper publications,  
6 promotional mailings and other advertising designed to help recruit  
7 volunteers.  
8 S 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
9 have become a law, provided however that, effective immediately, the  
10 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary  
11 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized  
12 to be made on or before such effective date.