

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

March 7, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. ABBATE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to creating a cancer presumption for firefighters

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

1 Section 1. The general municipal law is amended by adding a new
2 section 207-kkk to read as follows:

3 § 207-kkk. Firefighters; disabilities caused by cancer. Notwithstand-
4 ing any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, any condition
5 of impairment of health caused by (i) any condition of cancer affecting
6 the lymphatic, digestive, hematological, urinary, neurological, breast,
7 reproductive, or prostate systems or (ii) melanoma resulting in total or
8 partial disability or death to a paid member of a fire department or
9 fire district that participates in the New York State and Local Police
10 and Fire Retirement System, who successfully passed a physical examina-
11 tion on entry into the service of such department, which examination
12 failed to reveal any evidence of such condition, shall be presumptive
13 evidence that it was incurred in the performance and discharge of duty
14 unless the contrary be proved by competent evidence.

15 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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