STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 11, 2017

Introduced by Sen. AKSHAR -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- recommitted to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to the minimum qualifications to serve as a fire chief in any fire department, fire district or fire protection district that employs five or more paid firefighters

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

Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 58-a of the civil service law, as amended by section 1 of part A of chapter 101 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

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- 6. The provisions of this section shall not apply to appointments made by any county, city, town, village or fire district which employs [five or fewer] fewer than five fire fighters.
 - § 2. Section 58-a of the civil service law is amended by adding a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:
- 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of this law or any general,
 special or local law to the contrary, no person shall be eligible for
 provisional or permanent appointment as a fire chief other than those
 chiefs employed by a fire department of cities with a population of one
 million or more unless he or she shall:
- 14 (a) satisfy the basic requirements for education, health and physical 15 fitness established by the state fire administrator pursuant to section 16 one hundred fifty-eight of the executive law; and
- 17 <u>(b) has successfully completed training and education courses of mini-</u>
 18 <u>mum contact hour criteria approved by the state fire administrator and</u>

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

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1 received certification for supervisory level 1 or higher pursuant to 19 2 NYCRR 427.9.

3 § 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall 4 have become a law and shall apply to any appointment as a fire chief 5 established on or after such date.