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Introduced by M. of A. JONES, CRUZ, JEAN-PIERRE, SAYEGH, HAWLEY, DeSTE-FANO, NORRIS, BRABENEC, SMULLEN, BLANKENBUSH, MILLER, REYES, COOK, GUNTHER, BUTTENSCHON, TAGUE, PALMESANO, MANKTELOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to direct the office of fire prevention and control to conduct a study which evaluates the minimum recommended qualifications to becoming a volunteer firefighter

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

Section 1. The office of fire prevention and control shall conduct a study that examines and evaluates the recommended minimum qualifications for volunteer firefighters.

- (a) The type of settings included in the study shall be subject to funds available but include, at minimum, the coursework required to test for the Firefighter certification, or the Firefighter Recruit I and II certifications, as defined in part 426 of title 19 of the New York 8 Codes, Rules and Regulations, the recommended number of hours of training, availability of training courses and resources, availability of 10 trainers, and minimum qualifications for trainers.
- 11 (b) The study shall take into account factors including, but not 12 limited to: geographical region, prominent industries in that region, 13 demographics of populations and demand for volunteer firefighters.
- 14 § 2. Within twelve months of the effective date of this act, the office of fire prevention and control shall submit a report detailing 15 the findings of the study to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly. 17
- 18 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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