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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 17, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. MORINELLO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend chapter 430 of the laws of 1963 relating to incorporation of the Grand Island Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association and providing for its powers and duties, in relation to its purpose and the use of foreign fire insurance premium taxes

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

Section 1. Section 3 of chapter 430 of the laws of 1963 relating to incorporation of the Grand Island Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association and providing for its powers and duties, is amended to read as follows:

§ 3. Purposes. The purposes of such corporation shall be the maintenance of suitable headquarters for, and the promotion of fraternal intercourse among the members of such corporation[~~,~~]; the relief, aid and assistance of such members and their families who are injured, disabled or indigent[~~,~~]; to promote and safeguard the welfare of the volunteer members of the corporation, and their families; to provide for the health and safety of the volunteer members of the corporation; and to enhance the morale of the volunteer members of the corporation by providing social and recreational activities for the volunteer members of the corporation, and the promotion of the [~~welfare of the~~] volunteer fire service within the town of Grand Island and territory provided with fire protection by contract with such town.

§ 2. Section 7 of chapter 430 of the laws of 1963 relating to incorporation of the Grand Island Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association and providing for its powers and duties, is amended to read as follows:

§ 7. Precept for payment of foreign fire insurance premium taxes. Such corporation shall collect and there shall be paid to it all taxes imposed by section [~~five hundred fifty-three~~] nine thousand one hundred four of the insurance law, for fire departments use and benefit, upon

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

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premiums for insurance against loss or damage by fire covering property situated within the territory protected by the Grand Island volunteer fire department, located in the town of Grand Island, Erie county, New York, or within any duly organized territory in which the Grand Island volunteer fire department is or may be obligated to render fire protection. The officer of said corporation designated by its by-laws to collect and receive the aforesaid tax shall have all the powers and be subject to all the provisions of the insurance law, relating to treasurers of fire departments. Such corporation shall also be entitled to receive a share of the tax imposed by section [~~five hundred fifty-four~~] **nine thousand one hundred five** of the insurance law, based upon the business written in the territory with respect to which it is entitled to collect and receive the tax under section [~~five hundred fifty-three~~] **nine thousand one hundred four** of the insurance law. Such taxes shall only be used [~~for the care and relief of disabled or indigent volunteer and exempt volunteer firemen and their families~~] **by the corporation in furtherance of its purposes as set forth in section three of this act**.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxes due on premiums received on and after January 1, 2024.