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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

May 18, 2023

Introduced by Sen. MANNION -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend chapter 746 of the laws of 1957 relating to incorporating the volunteer and exempt firemen's benevolent association of East Syracuse, Onondaga county, New York, and providing for the powers and duties of such corporation and for the payment to it of certain fire insurance premium tax monies, in relation to the purposes of such corporation and the use of certain tax monies received

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

1 Section 1. Sections 1, 3 and 7 of chapter 746 of the laws of 1957 2 relating to incorporating the volunteer and exempt firemen's benevolent 3 association of East Syracuse, Onondaga county, New York, and providing 4 for the powers and duties of such corporation and for the payment to it 5 of certain fire insurance premium tax monies, is amended to read as 6 follows:

7 Section 1. Incorporation; membership. A membership corporation by the 8 name of "Volunteer and Exempt [Firemen's] Firefighters' Benevolent Asso-9 ciation of East Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York" is hereby created. 10 It shall be composed of such persons eligible to membership therein as 11 hereinafter provided as shall (a) notify the secretary of the East Syracuse fire department in writing prior to the organization meeting of 12 such corporation hereinafter provided for of their desire to become 13 members, or (b) shall attend such meeting or an adjournment thereof and 14 signify their intention of becoming members at such meeting, or (c) 15 16 shall notify the secretary of such corporation in writing within sixty 17 days after his or her election of their desire to become members there-18 of, and also such persons so eligible as may become members of such 19 corporation pursuant to its by-laws.

20 § 3. Purposes. The purposes of such corporation <u>created by this act</u> 21 shall be [the maintenance of suitable headquarters for and the promotion

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

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of fraternal intercourse among members of such corporation, the relief, 1 aid and assistance of such members and their families who are disabled 2 or indigent, and the promotion of the welfare of the volunteer fire 3 service within the village of East Syracuse and the territory of the East Syracuse fire district and of any village or fire district 4 5 6 contracting for fire protection with the East Syracuse fire department 7 or the board of trustees of the village of East Syracuse]: to provide 8 relief, aid and assistance to the volunteer members of such corporation 9 who are indigent, disabled or injured in the performance of their 10 duties, and their families; to maintain a suitable headquarters for the 11 members of the corporation; to promote and safequard the welfare of the 12 volunteer members of the corporation, and their families; to provide for the health and safety of the volunteer members of the corporation; and 13 14 to enhance the morale of the volunteer members of the corporation by 15 providing social and recreational activities for the volunteer members 16 of the corporation, and the promotion of the volunteer fire service 17 within the territory protected by such fire department of the East Syra-18 cuse fire department.

19 § 7. Precept for payment of the fire insurance premium taxes. Such 20 corporation shall collect and there shall be paid to it all tax upon 21 premiums on policies of insurance covering property situated within the 22 village of East Syracuse and the East Syracuse fire district of the town 23 of Dewitt, Onondaga county, New York, or within any duly organized territory in which the East Syracuse fire department is obligated to 24 25 render fire protection, imposed by section [five hundred fifty-three] 26 ninety-one hundred four of the insurance law for the use and benefit of 27 the fire department affording fire protection therein. The officer of 28 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 29 provisions of [section five hundred fifty-three of] the insurance law, 30 31 relating to treasurers of fire departments. Such corporation shall also 32 be entitled to receive a share of the tax imposed by section [five 33 hundred fifty four ] ninety-one hundred five of the insurance law, based 34 upon the business written in the territory with respect to which it is 35 entitled to collect and receive the tax under section [five hundred 36 fifty three] ninety-one hundred four of the insurance law. Such taxes 37 shall only be used [for the care and relief of disabled or indigent 38 volunteer and exempt firemen and their families ] by the corporation in 39 furtherance of its purposes as set forth in section three of this act.

40 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, the 41 amendments to section 7 of chapter 746 of the laws of 1957 made by 42 section one of this act shall apply to taxes due on premiums received on 43 and after January 1, 2023.