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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 11, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. SLATER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend chapter 576 of the laws of 1977 incorporating the Putnam Lake Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association and providing for its powers and duties, in relation to the purposes of the Putnam Lake Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association

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

Section 1. Section 3 of chapter 576 of the laws of 1977 incorporating the Putnam Lake 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 friendly association for the betterment of the members of such corporation and their relations with the community, for the promotion of fraternal intercourse among the members of such corporation, to study and disseminate among the members of such corporation the most efficient manner of fighting fires and 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 volunteer fire service within the territory protected by such fire department of the Putnam Lake Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association,* and to acquire real and personal property such as may be necessary for the purposes herein set forth and the promotion of the welfare of the volunteer fire service within the territory now served or which may hereafter be served by the Putnam Lake Fire Department, Inc.

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

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§ 2. Section 7 of chapter 576 of the laws of 1977 incorporating the Putnam Lake Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association and providing for its powers and duties, as amended by chapter 149 of the laws of 1992, 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 9104 of the insurance law for fire department use and benefit upon premiums for insurance against loss or damage by fire covering property situated in that part of the Patterson Fire Protection District which is protected by the Putnam Lake Fire Department, in the town of Patterson, county of Putnam, or within any duly organized territory in which the Putnam Lake Fire Department, Inc. is or may be obligated to render fire protection. The officers 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 9105 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 9104 of the insurance law. Such taxes shall only be used [~~for~~] **by** the [~~care and relief~~] **corporation in furtherance** of [~~disabled or indigent volunteer and exempt volunteer firefighters and their families~~] **its purpose as set forth in section three of this act**.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to section 7 of chapter 576 of the laws of 1977 made by section two of this act shall apply to taxes due on premiums received on and after January 1, 2024.