

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

January 9, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. SANTABARBARA -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the judiciary law, in relation to exempting active  
volunteer firefighters from jury duty

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

1 Section 1. The judiciary law is amended by adding a new section 512 to  
2 read as follows:

3 § 512. Active volunteer firefighters exempt from jury duty. 1. Upon  
4 claiming exemption therefrom, a volunteer firefighter, as defined in  
5 section three of the volunteer firefighters' benefit law, shall be  
6 exempt from jury duty.

7 2. The chief administrator of the courts shall prescribe a form to be  
8 used therefor. Any qualified person may file such form with the appro-  
9 priate commissioner of jurors who shall thereupon exempt such person  
10 from jury duty. Such exemption shall remain valid as long as such person  
11 remains a volunteer firefighter.

12 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
13 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-  
14 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-  
15 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and  
16 completed on or before such effective date.

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

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