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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2372

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2372 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The State Fire Marshal Act is amended by
5 adding Section 5 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2905/5 new)

7 Sec. 5. Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator;
8 certified youth firesetter interventionists.

9 (a) The Office of the State Fire Marshal shall create the
10 position of Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
11 within the Division of Arson and shall employ a person to serve
12 in that position. An applicant to the position of Youth
13 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator must be a certified
14 youth firesetter interventionist coordinator based on the
15 standards set forth in Chapter 9 of the National Fire
16 Protection Association's "Standard on Fire and Life Safety

1 Education, Public Information Officer, Youth Firesetter
2 Intervention Specialist and Youth Firesetting Program Manager
3 Professional Qualifications" (NFPA 1035).

4 (b) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
5 employed by the Office shall be compensated at a rate that is
6 comparable to the rate of compensation for a State arson
7 investigator and shall be provided benefits similar to those
8 of a State arson investigator. The Youth Firesetter
9 Interventionist Coordinator shall also be provided similar
10 means and resources as those supplied to a State arson
11 investigator.

12 (c) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator shall
13 have those responsibilities that are stipulated for a Youth
14 Firesetter Program Manager in Chapter 9 of NFPA 1035. In
15 addition to those requirements, the Youth Firesetter
16 Interventionist Coordinator shall have the following
17 responsibilities:

18 (1) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
19 shall ensure that a certified youth firesetter
20 interventionist employed within the Office, or a volunteer
21 certified youth firesetter interventionist, physically
22 sees a child whose case was referred to the coordinator
23 within 72 hours of the referral. If no certified youth
24 firesetter interventionist is available, then the Youth
25 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator must take the case
26 and ensure the child is seen within 72 hours. The 72-hour

1 requirement begins and continues from the time the Youth
2 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator is referred the
3 case, including any weekend days or national and State
4 holidays.

5 (2) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
6 shall process Freedom of Information Act requests.

7 (3) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
8 shall create a report, to be submitted to the General
9 Assembly, that reports on the data collected in accordance
10 with NFPA 1035. The report shall be semiannual for the
11 first 2 years, and the first report shall be submitted to
12 the General Assembly by December 30, 2023. After the first
13 2 years of semiannual reporting, the report shall be
14 submitted annually.

15 (d) A volunteer certified youth firesetter interventionist
16 may receive a \$250 stipend for a case only if the volunteer
17 certified youth firesetter interventionist is not otherwise
18 compensated by another employer or entity for that case. A
19 volunteer certified youth firesetter interventionist shall
20 receive mileage reimbursement for any necessary travel.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law."