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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. The Office shall not modify any current position
12 to meet these requirements. The position of the Youth
13 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator shall be created and
14 filled anew, as set forth in this Section.

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

21 (1) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
22 shall ensure that a certified youth firesetter
23 interventionist employed within the Office, or a volunteer
24 certified youth firesetter interventionist, physically
25 sees a child whose case was referred to the coordinator
26 within 72 hours of the referral. If no certified youth

1 firesetter interventionist is available, then the Youth
2 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator must take the case
3 and ensure the child is seen within 72 hours. The 72-hour
4 requirement begins and continues from the time the Youth
5 Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator is referred the
6 case, including any weekend days or national and State
7 holidays.

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

10 (3) The Youth Firesetter Interventionist Coordinator
11 shall create a report, to be submitted to the General
12 Assembly, that reports on the data collected in accordance
13 with NFPA 1035. The report shall be semiannual for the
14 first 2 years, and the first report shall be submitted to
15 the General Assembly by December 30, 2023. After the first
16 2 years of semiannual reporting, the report shall be
17 submitted annually.

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

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
25 becoming law."