

1 AN ACT concerning emergency management.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act
5 is amended by changing Section 8 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3305/8) (from Ch. 127, par. 1058)

7 Sec. 8. Mobile Support Teams.

8 (a) The Governor or Director may cause to be created
9 Mobile Support Teams to aid and to reinforce the Illinois
10 Emergency Management Agency, and emergency services and
11 disaster agencies in areas stricken by disaster. Each mobile
12 support team shall have a leader, selected by the Director
13 who will be responsible, under the direction and control of
14 the Director, for the organization, administration, and
15 training, and operation of the mobile support team.

16 (b) Personnel of a mobile support team while on duty
17 pursuant to such a call or while engaged in regularly
18 scheduled training or exercises, whether within or without
19 the State, shall either:

20 (1) if they are paid employees of the State, have
21 the powers, duties, rights, privileges and immunities and
22 receive the compensation incidental to their employment;

23 (2) if they are paid employees of a political
24 subdivision or body politic of this State, and whether
25 serving within or without that political subdivision or
26 body politic, have the powers, duties, rights, privileges
27 and immunities, and receive the compensation incidental
28 to their employment; or;

29 (3) if they are not employees of the State,
30 political subdivision or body politic, or being such
31 employees, are not normally paid for their services, be

1 entitled to at least one dollar per year compensation
2 from the State.

3 Personnel of a mobile support team who suffer disease,
4 injury or death arising out of or in the course of emergency
5 duty, shall for the purposes of benefits under the Workers'
6 Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act only,
7 be deemed to be employees of this State. If the person
8 diseased, injured or killed is an employee described in item
9 (3) above, the computation of benefits payable under either
10 of those Acts shall be based on income commensurate with
11 comparable State employees doing the same type of work or
12 income from the person's regular employment, whichever is
13 greater.

14 All personnel of mobile support teams shall, while on
15 duty under such call, be reimbursed by this State for all
16 actual and necessary travel and subsistence expenses.

17 (c) The State shall reimburse each political subdivision
18 or body politic from the Disaster Relief Fund for the
19 compensation paid and the actual and necessary travel,
20 subsistence and maintenance expenses of paid employees of the
21 political subdivision or body politic while serving, outside
22 of its geographical boundaries pursuant to such a call, as
23 members of a mobile support team, and for all payments made
24 for death, disease or injury of those paid employees arising
25 out of and incurred in the course of that duty, and for all
26 losses of or damage to supplies and equipment of the
27 political subdivision or body politic resulting from the
28 operations.

29 (d) Whenever mobile support teams or units of another
30 state, while the Governor has the emergency powers provided
31 for under Section 7 of this Act, render aid to this State
32 under the orders of the Governor of its home state and upon
33 the request of the Governor of this State, all questions
34 relating to reimbursement by this State to the other state

1 and its citizens in regard to the assistance so rendered
2 shall be determined by the mutual aid agreements or
3 interstate compacts described in subparagraph (5) of
4 paragraph (c) of Section 6 as are existing at the time of the
5 assistance rendered or are entered into thereafter and under
6 Section 303 (d) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950.

7 (e) No personnel of mobile support teams of this State
8 may be ordered by the Governor to operate in any other state
9 unless a request for the same has been made by the Governor
10 or duly authorized representative of the other state.

11 (Source: P.A. 92-73, eff. 1-1-02.)