

AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The State Fire Marshal Act is amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2905/2) (from Ch. 127 1/2, par. 2)

Sec. 2. The Office shall have the following powers and duties:

1. To exercise the rights, powers and duties which have been vested by law in the Department of State Police as the successor of the Department of Public Safety, State Fire Marshal, inspectors, officers and employees of the State Fire Marshal, including arson investigation. Arson investigations conducted by the State Fire Marshal's Office shall be conducted by State Fire Marshal Arson Investigator Special Agents, who shall be peace officers as provided in the Peace Officer Fire Investigation Act.

2. To keep a record, as may be required by law, of all fires occurring in the State, together with all facts, statistics and circumstances, including the origin of fires.

3. To exercise the rights, powers and duties which have been vested in the Department of State Police by the

"Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety Act", approved August 7, 1951, as amended.

4. To administer the Illinois Fire Protection Training Act.

5. To aid in the establishment and maintenance of the training facilities and programs of the Illinois Fire Service Institute.

6. To disburse Federal grants for fire protection purposes to units of local government.

7. To pay to or in behalf of the City of Chicago for the maintenance, expenses, facilities and structures directly incident to the Chicago Fire Department training program. Such payments may be made either as reimbursements for expenditures previously made by the City, or as payments at the time the City has incurred an obligation which is then due and payable for such expenditures. Payments for the Chicago Fire Department training program shall be made only for those expenditures which are not claimable by the City under "An Act relating to fire protection training", certified November 9, 1971, as amended.

8. To administer ~~General Revenue Fund~~ grants to areas not located in a fire protection district or in a municipality which provides fire protection services, to defray the organizational expenses of forming a fire protection district.

9. In cooperation with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, to administer the Illinois Leaking Underground Storage Tank program in accordance with Section 4 of this Act and Section 22.12 of the Environmental Protection Act.

10. To expend state and federal funds as appropriated by the General Assembly.

11. To provide technical assistance, to areas not located in a fire protection district or in a municipality which provides fire protection service, to form a fire protection district, to join an existing district, or to establish a municipal fire department, whichever is applicable.

12. To exercise such other powers and duties as may be vested in the Office by law.

(Source: P.A. 94-178, eff. 1-1-06; 95-502, eff. 8-28-07.)

Section 10. The Law Enforcement and Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Act is amended by changing Section 3001 as follows:

(20 ILCS 3985/3001) (from Ch. 127, par. 3853-1)

Sec. 3001. There is created the Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Committee, referred to in this Article as the Committee. The Committee shall consist of the State Fire Marshal, the chief of the Chicago fire department and the following persons appointed by the Governor: 3 fire chiefs from other than

Chicago, 3 representatives of statewide fire fighter organizations and 2 retired Illinois fire fighters. Of the appointed members, the fire chiefs shall each serve a 2-year term and the organization representatives and retired fire fighters shall each serve a one-year term. The Governor shall appoint initial members within 3 months of the effective date of this Act.

Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties from funds appropriated to the Office of the State Fire Marshal ~~Office of the Governor~~ for such purpose.

(Source: P.A. 86-1230.)

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