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HOUSE BILL

No. 2346 Session of
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, MARCH 15, 2000

AN ACT

1 Establishing the Volunteer Firefighter Relief Association
2 Pension Fund; and making an appropriation.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Volunteer
7 Firefighter Relief Association Pension Fund Act.

8 Section 2. Volunteer Firefighter Relief Association Pension
9 Fund.

10 (a) Establishment.--There is hereby established a separate
11 account in the State Treasury to be known as the Volunteer
12 Firefighter Relief Association Pension Fund, which shall be a

1 special fund administered by the Office of the State Fire
2 Commissioner.

3 (b) Grants.--Each volunteer firefighter relief association
4 in this Commonwealth shall, pursuant to this act, receive an
5 annual grant of up to \$10,000 which is to be used solely for the
6 establishment or continuation of a pension system for volunteer
7 firefighters.

8 (c) Appropriation.--The sum of \$20,000,000, or as much
9 thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the
10 Volunteer Firefighter Relief Association Pension Fund for the
11 fiscal year July 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, to carry out the
12 provisions of this act. The General Assembly shall annually
13 include an appropriation to the Volunteer Firefighter Relief
14 Association Pension Fund in an amount sufficient to make grants
15 to volunteer firefighter relief associations pursuant to this
16 act.

17 (d) Regulations.--The Office of the State Fire Commissioner
18 shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out
19 this act.

20 Section 3. Effective date.

21 This act shall take effect July 1, 2000, or immediately,
22 whichever is later.