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**HOUSE BILL 21-1218**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY**  
102                    **APPLICANTS TO BE ISSUED THE COLORADO PROFESSIONAL FIRE**  
103                    **FIGHTERS LICENSE PLATE.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law provides for the issuance of a Colorado professional fire fighters license plate and sets standards for organizations that may qualify applicants to be issued the license plate. One of the qualifications is that the organization has been in existence for at least 20 years. The bill lowers this requirement to at least 15 years.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

SENATE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
April 19, 2021

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 5, 2021

HOUSE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
April 1, 2021

Current law also requires that the organization have at least 3,000 members residing in Colorado. The bill specifies the evidence an organization is to submit to demonstrate compliance with this provision.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-254, **amend**  
3 (3)(a)(II); and **add** (3)(d) as follows:

4 **42-3-254. Special plates - Colorado professional fire fighters**  
5 **- definition.** (3) (a) At least once every five years, the department shall  
6 designate an organization to qualify applicants to be issued the Colorado  
7 professional fire fighters license plate. The organization must:

- 8 (II) Have been in existence for at least ~~twenty~~ FIFTEEN years;
- 9 (d) A SIGNED AFFIDAVIT, SUBMITTED UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY,  
10 IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE THAT THE ORGANIZATION HAS MET THE MINIMUM  
11 MEMBERSHIP AS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (3)(a)(III) OF THIS SECTION.

12 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
13 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
14 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
15 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
16 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
17 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
18 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
19 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
20 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.