HOUSE BILL 14-1169

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal** (3) (aa) (III) as follows:

2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees. (3) The following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

(aa) July 1, 2014:

(III) The volunteer firefighter advisory committee, created in section 31-30-1112 (6), C.R.S.;

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 31-30-1112, **amend** (3) (a) and (4) (a); and **repeal** (6) as follows:

31-30-1112. State contributions - intent. (3) (a) The department of local affairs shall work with the municipalities AND the districts AND the advisory committee established in subsection (6) of this section to develop a procedure by which municipalities and districts apply to receive state assistance moneys distributed pursuant to this section. Such THE application procedure shall MUST ensure that the department can verify the amount of money to which each municipality and district is entitled before the department transfers funds to the municipalities and districts each year.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.
(4) (a) The department of local affairs, after consultation with the advisory committee established in subsection (6) of this section, may impose a nonrefundable application fee in an amount to be determined by the department on any municipality or district that applies to the department for state assistance moneys distributed pursuant to this section. The application fee may be on a sliding scale based on the amount of state assistance moneys distributed to each fund pursuant to this section in the previous year.

(6) (a) There is hereby established a volunteer firefighter advisory committee. The department of local affairs shall consult with the committee in the performance of its duties in connection with the distribution of state contribution moneys to municipal and district volunteer firefighter pension funds pursuant to this section and to the accidental death and disability insurance policy for volunteer firefighters pursuant to section 31-30-1134. The members of the advisory committee shall not receive compensation or reimbursement from the state or the department for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The committee shall consist of five members that the executive director of the department shall appoint as follows: three members shall be members of a board, one member shall be an active volunteer firefighter, and one member shall be a representative of a municipality or district that has volunteer firefighters.

(b) This subsection (6) is repealed, effective July 1, 2014. Prior to the repeal of this subsection (6), the advisory committee shall be reviewed as provided for in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

SECTION 3. Effective date. This act takes effect July 1, 2014.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 27, 2014