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Introduced by

SENATOR CARROLL H. LEAVELL
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AN ACT

RELATING TO VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS RETIREMENT; LIMITING THE
TIME PERIOD FOR POSTING OR ADJUSTING SERVICE CREDIT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 10-11A-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1983,
Chapter 263, Section 6, as amended) is amended to read:

"10-11A-6. DETERMINATION OF SERVICE CREDIT.--

A. A member may claim one year of service credit
for each year in which a fire department certifies that the
member:

(1) attended fifty percent of all scheduled
fire drills for which the fire department held the member
responsible to attend;

(2) attended fifty percent of all scheduled
business meetings for which the fire department held the
member responsible to attend; and

(3) participated in at least fifty percent
of all emergency response calls for which the fire department
held the member responsible to attend.

B. The chief of each fire department shall submit
to the association by March 31 of each year documentation of
the qualifications of each member for the preceding calendar
year; provided that the chief shall:

(1) submit the documentation on forms
provided by the association;

(2) acknowledge the truth of the records under oath before a notary public; and

(3) have the notarized forms signed by the mayor, if distributions from the fire protection fund for the fire department are made to an incorporated municipality, or the chair of the county commission, if distributions from the fire protection fund for the fire department are made to a county fire district.

C. For service credit that has been earned, but not credited pursuant to Subsection B of this section, a member may post or adjust service credit earned for not more than the two preceding calendar years; provided that the member shall:

(1) file with the association a completed "Corrected Qualification Record" or "Adjusted Qualification Record" as prescribed by the board;

(2) acknowledge the truth of the records under oath before a notary public; and

(3) have the notarized forms signed by the mayor, if distributions from the fire protection fund for the fire department are made to an incorporated municipality, or the chair of the county commission, if distributions from the fire protection fund for the fire department are made to a county fire district.
D. The association may request the fire marshal division of the public regulation commission to verify member qualifications submitted to the association."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is January 1, 2016.
John A. Sanchez, President
Senate

Lenore M. Naranjo, Chief Clerk
Senate

Don L. Tripp, Speaker
House of Representatives

Denise Ramonas, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

Approved by me this 7th day of April, 2015

Susana Martinez
Governor
State of New Mexico