

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, volunteer firefighters who are also state employees are entitled to up to five days off per fiscal year to attend training conducted by a state agency or institution of higher learning without a deduction in salary. This bill would allow emergency medical services volunteers to receive the same five working days off for training without a deduction in salary.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 661.905, Government Code, as follows:

Section 661.905. New heading: VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES VOLUNTEERS. (a) Defines “emergency medical services volunteer.” Provides that a state employee who is a volunteer firefighter or an emergency medical services volunteer is entitled to a leave of absence without deduction in salary to attend fire service or medical emergency services training conducted by a state agency or institution of higher education. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.