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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to fire protection by creating a fire service  
 2 training and equipment fund and a fire service advisory board  
 3 and making an appropriation.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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HF 454

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 100.55 IOWA FIRE SERVICE  
2 TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT FUND.

3 1. An Iowa fire service training and equipment fund is  
4 created in the office of the treasurer of state. The fund  
5 consists of all revenues and all other moneys lawfully  
6 credited or transferred to the fund. The moneys credited to  
7 the fund may be expended by the division of fire protection in  
8 the department of public safety for approved training  
9 activities and equipment by qualified fire departments  
10 pursuant to rules adopted by the state fire marshal.

11 2. For each fiscal year there is appropriated from the  
12 general fund of the state to the Iowa fire service training  
13 and equipment fund, the amount of one million dollars.

14 3. Section 8.33 does not apply to moneys in the Iowa fire  
15 service training and equipment fund under this section.

16 4. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, interest or earnings on  
17 investments or time deposits of the moneys in the Iowa fire  
18 service training and equipment fund shall be credited to the  
19 Iowa fire service training and equipment fund.

20 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 100.56 FIRE SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD.

21 1. A fire service advisory board is created. The board  
22 shall be comprised of seven members appointed by the  
23 commissioner of public safety with special expertise in  
24 matters pertaining to fire service training and equipment  
25 needs. The members shall serve for a term of four years. Any  
26 vacancies on the board shall be filled, for the remainder of  
27 the term vacated, by appointment by the commissioner.

28 2. The advisory board shall advise and confer with the  
29 state fire marshal in matters relating to the Iowa fire  
30 service training and equipment fund and shall, at the request  
31 of the state fire marshal, hold public hearings and perform  
32 such other functions relating to the fund.

33 3. A member may be removed from the board by the  
34 commissioner for inefficiency, neglect or duty, or misconduct  
35 or malfeasance of office, after receiving prior written notice

1 and an opportunity to be heard.

2 4. Each member of the board shall receive per diem  
3 compensation at the rate specified by section 7E.6, and all  
4 necessary expenses incurred, while in the performance of their  
5 duties for the board.

6 5. The board shall meet at least once a year and such  
7 additional times as requested by the state fire marshal. Four  
8 members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

9 6. The state fire marshal shall adopt rules pursuant to  
10 chapter 17A providing for the administration and distribution  
11 of the Iowa fire service training and equipment fund. The  
12 rules shall provide for receiving advice concerning the  
13 distribution of moneys in the fund from the fire service  
14 advisory board.

15 Sec. 3. TEMPORARY PROVISIONS. Notwithstanding section  
16 100.56, of the initial appointees to the fire service advisory  
17 board, three shall be appointed for a two-year term and four  
18 shall be appointed for a four-year term.

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#### EXPLANATION

20 This bill establishes a fire service training and equipment  
21 fund within the division of fire protection of the department  
22 of public safety. The bill provides for a standing  
23 appropriation of \$1 million each fiscal year for the fund.  
24 The fund is administered by the state fire marshal and moneys  
25 distributed to qualified fire departments for approved  
26 training activities and equipment.

27 This bill also creates a seven-member fire service advisory  
28 board appointed by the commissioner of public safety to advise  
29 the state fire marshal concerning the fire service training  
30 and equipment fund. The bill provides for the appointment and  
31 compensation of the members as well as requiring at least  
32 annual meetings of the board.

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