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STATE GOVERNMENT

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for a study relating to retirement and death
2 benefits for volunteer firefighters.

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

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HF 2272

1 Section 1. VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER BENEFITS -- REPORT. The
2 department of public safety shall conduct a study concerning
3 the possible implementation of a system to provide retirement
4 and death and survivor benefits to volunteer firefighters.
5 The study shall examine what benefits should be provided, if
6 any, as well as possible funding mechanisms, including the use
7 of excess insurance premium tax receipts, to provide any such
8 proposed benefits. In conducting the study, the department
9 shall consult with representatives from the Iowa firemen's
10 association, the Iowa fire chief's association, the Iowa
11 association of professional firefighters, the Iowa association
12 of professional fire chiefs, the Iowa firefighters group, and
13 the Iowa league of cities. The department shall submit a
14 report concerning the results of its study, including any
15 findings and recommendations, to the general assembly by
16 January 8, 2001.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill requires the department of public safety to
19 conduct a study concerning the possible implementation of a
20 system to provide retirement and death and survivor benefits
21 to volunteer firefighters. The bill requires the department
22 to consult with representatives from the Iowa firemen's
23 association, the Iowa fire chief's association, the Iowa
24 association of professional firefighters, the Iowa association
25 of professional fire chiefs, the Iowa firefighters group, and
26 the Iowa league of cities, in conducting its study. The bill
27 requires the department to consider what benefits to provide
28 as well as mechanisms to fund any proposed benefits. The bill
29 requires the department to issue a report concerning its
30 findings and recommendations to the general assembly by
31 January 8, 2001.

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