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SENATE FILE 298

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(COMPANION TO LSB 2304HH BY EDDIE)

Passed Senate, Date <sup>(p.648)</sup> 3-16-99

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the liability of volunteer fire departments  
2 for penalties for occupational safety and health violations.

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

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**SENATE FILE 298**

H-1145

1 Amend Senate File 298, as passed by the Senate, as  
2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 5, by striking the words "one or  
4 more employees" and inserting the following:  
5 "employed for wages one or more persons".

By EDDIE of Buena Vista

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1 Section 1. Section 88.14, Code 1999, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 13. INAPPLICABILITY TO VOLUNTEER FIRE  
4 DEPARTMENTS. This section shall not apply to a volunteer fire  
5 department unless the department has one or more employees who  
6 are fire fighters.

7 EXPLANATION

8 This bill provides that volunteer fire departments are not  
9 subject to penalties for violations of Code chapter 88  
10 governing occupational safety and health (OSHA). The bill  
11 provides that a fire department with one or more fire fighters  
12 who are employees, and not volunteers, is not exempt from the  
13 imposition of penalties under OSHA.

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