

**357J.7 Pilot project — five years — report.**

1. A district established by the board and having a plan approved by the state fire marshal under [section 357J.6](#) is authorized to proceed and continue as a pilot project for five years beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year following the date of the board's resolution establishing the district. However, if the date of the board's action falls after November 1, the pilot project shall not begin until July 1 of the fiscal year subsequent to the next following fiscal year.

2. The commission shall submit an annual report to the state fire marshal summarizing the results of the pilot project, including the strengths of the project, whether delivery of fire protection service and emergency medical service was improved throughout the district, and additional measures needed to improve the delivery of such services.

3. The fourth annual report prepared by the commission under [subsection 2](#) shall also be submitted to the governor and the general assembly. It is the intent of the general assembly to use that report to determine whether to continue the pilot project, revise it, terminate it, or implement the pilot project provisions or a similar approach statewide.

[2008 Acts, ch 1152, §7](#)