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Senate Resolution

A resolution encouraging the donation of surplus fire equipment and materials to Florida's volunteer fire departments.

WHEREAS, about 80 percent of the fire departments in the United States are manned by volunteers, and

WHEREAS, surplus fire equipment and materials have been donated to countries overseas by municipal and other fire departments, and

WHEREAS, the expenses of volunteer fire departments in this state could be lessened by almost half by such donations, and

WHEREAS, the equipment and materials paid for by taxpayers should be donated to sister fire departments in this state, and

WHEREAS, the City of Hallandale Beach, the Broward County League of Cities, the Florida League of Cities, the United States Conference of Mayors, and the National League of Cities have adopted resolutions encouraging the donation of surplus fire equipment and materials to domestic volunteer fire departments, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Florida Senate strongly encourages the donation of surplus fire equipment and materials to Florida's volunteer fire departments.