

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED      (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED AS AMENDED      (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION      (Y/N)  
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Government Accountability  
 2 Committee

3 Representative Raburn offered the following:

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 5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 Section 1. Section 633.415, Florida Statutes, is created  
 8 to read:

9 633.415 Lifetime Firefighter designation.-

10 (1) A firefighter or volunteer firefighter may apply for a  
 11 Lifetime Firefighter designation if he or she:

12 (a) Has at least 20 years of service;

13 (b) Has been employed by a fire service provider, as  
 14 defined in s. 633.102(13), and is in good standing with his or  
 15 her most recent fire service provider;

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16 (c) Has no conviction or other disqualifying event under  
17 s. 633.412(2) and must comply with the requirements of s.  
18 633.412(3); and

19 (d)1. Is recorded on a fire service provider roster in the  
20 division's online electronic database; or

21 2. Was previously certified as a firefighter or volunteer  
22 firefighter in this state.

23 (2) A firefighter may have his or her Firefighter  
24 Certificate of Compliance or a Volunteer Firefighter Certificate  
25 of Completion placed into a Lifetime Firefighter designation by  
26 applying to the division at the time required to renew the  
27 certificate. The application shall be made on a form prescribed  
28 by the division.

29 (3) A Lifetime Firefighter may not engage in firefighting  
30 activities with a fire department unless he or she holds a  
31 current and valid Firefighter Certificate of Compliance or  
32 Special Certificate of Compliance issued by the division under  
33 s. 633.408.

34 (4) After the division approves a currently employed  
35 firefighter's Lifetime Firefighter designation, the division  
36 shall, after the firefighter's 4-year period pursuant to s.  
37 633.414, issue in its online electronic database the Lifetime  
38 Firefighter designation upon the end of such period.

39 (5) If a firefighter's Firefighter Certificate of  
40 Compliance or Volunteer Firefighter Certificate of Completion is

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41 current upon the approval of a Lifetime Firefighter designation  
42 and he or she applies to renew such certification within the  
43 first 4 years after the date of such approval, he or she must  
44 successfully complete the Minimum Standards Course Examination  
45 for a firefighter under 633.408(1)(a), or the course  
46 examinations under 633.408(1)(b) for a volunteer firefighter,  
47 and meet all requirements in s. 633.412.

48 (6) If a firefighter's Firefighter Certificate of  
49 Compliance or Volunteer Firefighter Certificate of Completion  
50 has expired upon receiving the Lifetime Firefighter designation  
51 and he or she desires to perform firefighting services within  
52 the first 4 years after the date of approval of the Lifetime  
53 Firefighter designation, the firefighter must successfully  
54 complete the Minimum Standards Course Examination for a  
55 firefighter under 633.408(1)(a), or the course examinations  
56 under 633.408(1)(b) for a volunteer firefighter, and meet all  
57 requirements in s. 633.412.

58 (7) A Lifetime Firefighter designation shall be revoked  
59 for any of the conditions stated in ss. 633.426(3) or  
60 633.426(4). The division is authorized to investigate and take  
61 such action under s. 633.426 as necessary to implement this  
62 subsection.

63 (8) The division may adopt rules pursuant to its authority  
64 under s. 633.104(1) to implement this section.

65 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

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Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
An act relating to firefighters; creating s. 633.415, F.S.;  
providing for the designation as a Lifetime Firefighter;  
providing requirements for such designation; providing  
responsibilities of the Division of State Fire Marshal within  
the Department of Financial Services; authorizing the division  
to investigate convictions or disqualifying events concerning  
Lifetime Firefighters; authorizing the division to adopt rules;  
providing an effective date.