

1 AN ACT relating to volunteer fire departments.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 95A IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) (a) There is hereby established in the State Treasury a trust and agency*
6 *account to be known as the volunteer fire department emergency medical*
7 *expenses fund. The fund shall consist of moneys received from grants, gifts,*
8 *state appropriations, and federal funds.*

9 *(b) The fund shall be administered by the Kentucky Fire Commission.*

10 *(c) Amounts deposited in the fund shall be disbursed exclusively for the*
11 *purposes set out in subsection (2) of this section.*

12 *(d) Notwithstanding KRS 45.229, fund amounts not expended at the close of the*
13 *fiscal year shall not lapse but shall be carried forward into the next fiscal*
14 *year.*

15 *(2) A volunteer fire department established under KRS Chapter 273 may apply to the*
16 *Kentucky Fire Commission for funds from the volunteer fire department*
17 *emergency medical expense fund. The funds shall exclusively be used for:*

18 *(a) Purchasing emergency medical supplies, devices, or equipment; and*

19 *(b) Reimbursement of the costs:*

20 *1. Associated with replacing used emergency medical supplies, devices,*
21 *or equipment; and*

22 *2. Of any training, licensure, or certification of members of the volunteer*
23 *fire department related to the provision of emergency medical services.*

24 *(3) The commission shall endeavor to distribute the available funds in an equitable*
25 *manner.*

26 *(4) The Kentucky Fire Commission may promulgate administrative regulations in*
27 *accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to implement this section.*