

§1593. Volunteer firefighters; medical and life insurance

The state fire marshal is authorized to negotiate for and to purchase out of funds available for such purpose in the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund provided for in R.S. 22:1585(A) a group insurance policy to provide medical benefits, death benefits, and burial benefits for volunteer firefighters of the state suffering injury or death while engaged in the scope of their duties as volunteer firefighters. Such policy shall cover all bona fide volunteers starting the day upon which their membership begins without any prior certification to the state fire marshal's office or to the insurer. The state fire marshal shall deliver to each volunteer unit a printed notice concerning the policy requirements as to written notice of claim and written proof of loss including the period in which such must be filed. The volunteer unit shall post such notice in a conspicuous place at its facilities.

Acts 1966, No. 522, §1. Amended by Acts 1974, No. 124, §1; Acts 1987, No. 898, §1, eff. July 20, 1987; Acts 1990, No. 759, §2; Acts 2001, No. 189, §2, eff. May 31, 2001.