

11:24A-2.1



LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 11:24A-2.1

(County employees--time off to respond to fires or first aid and rescue calls)

LAWS OF: 1985

CHAPTER: 339

Bill No: S339

Sponsor(s): Connors and Bubba

Date Introduced: Pre-filed

Committee: Assembly: County Government and Regional Authorities

Senate: County and Municipal Government

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Date of Passage: Assembly: June 17, 1985
Senate: September 13, 1985

Date of Approval: October 18, 1985

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Committee statement: Assembly Yes

Senate Yes

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SENATE, No. 339

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1984 SESSION

By Senators CONNORS and BUBBA

AN Act concerning provision for time off from work for volunteer firemen in certain cases.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The governing body of a county **\*\*[shall]\*\*** *may, by resolution*  
2 *or ordinance, as appropriate,\*\** grant time off from work with  
3 pay for county employees who are members of a volunteer fire  
4 company serving the municipality, volunteers in first aid or rescue  
5 squads serving the municipality or volunteer drivers of municipi-  
6 pally-owned or operated ambulances when the employees are called  
7 to respond to alarms occurring during the hours of their employ-  
8 ment and they are working in the municipality in which they are  
8A members, volunteers or drivers.

9 *\*The governing body may, by resolution or ordinance, as ap-*  
10 *propriate, promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the pur-*  
11 *poses of this act. Rules and regulations may include limitations*  
12 *on strategic employees necessary for the operation of county gov-*  
13 *ernment who may be absent from work in order to respond to*  
14 *alarms.\**

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

**EXPLANATION**—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics *thus* is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

\*—Senate committee amendment adopted May 17, 1984.

\*\*—Assembly committee amendment adopted February 4, 1985.

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STATEMENT

This bill provides that counties shall grant volunteer firemen, first aid, rescue squad workers and volunteer ambulance drivers time off from work with pay in order to respond to alarms within the municipality in which they are working and which they serve.

There is presently this privilege for municipal employees.

ASSEMBLY COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND  
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 339**

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with Assembly committee amendments

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 1985

Senate Bill No. 339 OCR, as amended by the committee, would permit counties to allow county employees who are members of a volunteer fire company, volunteers in a first aid or rescue squad, or volunteer drivers of municipal ambulances to time off with pay when the employees are called to respond to alarms during the hours of their employment.

The bill would also authorize the governing body of each county to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of the bill.

The committee reported the bill favorably, as amended.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 339**

with Senate committee amendments

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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DATED: MAY 17, 1984

Senate Bill No. 339 would require paid time off from work for county employees who are members of a volunteer fire company, volunteers in a first aid or rescue squad, or volunteer drivers of municipal ambulances, serving the municipality, when the employees are called to respond to alarms occurring during the hours of their employment.

Under N. J. S. 40A:9-160.1, similar protection is currently provided for county employees who are called to volunteer duty during the hours of their employment.

The committee amendments authorize county governing bodies to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of the bill.