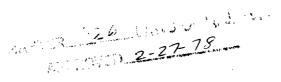
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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 2A:127-4	(Permits short-wave radio receivers to be installed in firemen's cars)	
LAUS OF1977	CHAPTER 426	
Bill No. <u>A1499</u>		
Sponsor(s) Rand, Schuck		
Date Introduced February 1	9, 1976	
Committee: Assembly Judic:	iary, Law, Public Safety & Defense	
Senate Law,	Public Safety & Defense	
Amended during passage	Yes XX passage denot	
Date of Passage: Assembly	April 25, 1977	
Senate Date of approval February	Dec. 15, 1977 27, 1978	
Following statements are atta	iched if available:	:
Sponsor statement	Yes XX (Below)	i
Committee Statement: Assembl	y Yes XX	•
Senate	Yes XXX	?
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Following were printed:		•
Reports	XXX NO	:
Hearings Sponsor's Statement:	XXX 110	

The purpose of this bill is is to allow members and officers of all municipal fire departments or forces to have short-wave radio receivers installed in their cars, so that as many volunteers as possible may be alerted to respond to a fire. A few have been installed in automobiles in some of the fire companies, and in these cases it was found that volunteers arrived on the scene who otherwise would not have received the alarm thus would not have responded.

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ASSEMBLY, No. 1499

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 19, 1976

By Assemblymen RAND and SCHUCK

Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Law, Public Safety and Defense

An Act concerning volunteer firemen *and volunteer first aid, emergency, ambulance and rescue squads* and amending N. J. S. 2A:127-4.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. N. J. S. 2A:127-4 is amended to read as follows:
- 2 2A:127-4. Any person who installs or has in any automobile, a
- 3 short-wave radio receiver operative on frequencies assigned by the
- 4 Federal Communications Commission for fire, police, municipal or
- 5 other governmental uses, is guilty of a misdemeanor, unless a
- 6 permit therefor has first been obtained from the chief of the county
- 7 police, or from the chief of the police of the municipality, wherein
- 8 such person resides.
- 9 This section does not apply to any fire, police or other govern-
- 10 mental official of the State or of any county or municipality thereof.
- 11 The term fire official, as used in this act, shall include *all active*
- 12 members and officers of *[all]* *any* municipal fire *[departments
- 13 or forces ** *department or force or any first aid and emergency
- 14 or volunteer ambulance or rescue squad* whether said * \blacksquare depart-
- 15 ments or forces ** department, force or squad* be paid, part-paid,
- 16 or volunteer.
 - 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.

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1499

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 18, 1977

This bill, as amended, would allow active members and officers of any municipal fire department or force or any first aid and emergency or volunteer ambulance or rescue squad to have short-wave radio receivers installed in their cars without having to obtain a permit. This would permit as many volunteers as possible to be alerted and to respond to an emergency.

SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1499

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 29, 1977

This bill clarifies the law which presently permits local fire officials, among others, to install emergency frequency shortwave radios in their motor vehicles. The frequencies are those specifically assigned to fire, police, municipal or other governmental agencies by the Federal Communications Commission. This bill defines "fire official" as any active member of a fire department or of a voluntary ambulance or rescue squad regardless of whether paid, part-paid or volunteer. The purpose is to allow as many responsible individuals as possible to be immediately notified of emergencies.