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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 37

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 37 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. Findings. The General Assembly finds that the
5 positions of fire chief and paramedic chief in the Chicago Fire
6 Department are positions that require the knowledge and skill
7 of experienced members of the Chicago Fire Department.
8 Furthermore, the General Assembly finds that the positions of
9 fire chief and paramedic chief are positions in which persons
10 holding the fire chief and paramedic chief rank take command
11 of, or otherwise give orders to, their subordinates at
12 potentially dangerous or life-threatening incidents and
13 activities.

14 Section 10. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by
15 adding Section 10-1-7.4 as follows:

1 (65 ILCS 5/10-1-7.4 new)

2 Sec. 10-1-7.4. Temporary fire chief and paramedic chief
3 advisory board.

4 (a) As used in this Section, "fire chief" or "paramedic
5 chief" means an individual temporarily appointed by the Fire
6 Commissioner to have direct supervisory authority over sworn
7 members of the department.

8 (b) A non-binding advisory board is created in the Chicago
9 Fire Department to recommend to the Fire Commissioner of the
10 Chicago Fire Department the best candidates for each position
11 of fire chief or paramedic chief. The advisory board shall be
12 comprised of 8 members appointed by the Fire Commissioner, or
13 his or her designee, 4 of whom must be, at the time of
14 appointment and during all times while serving on the advisory
15 board: (i) a member of an organization representing the
16 interest of firefighters and paramedics of the Chicago Fire
17 Department; and (ii) elected at large by members of that
18 organization to the organization's executive board. The Fire
19 Commissioner shall make his or her initial appointments to the
20 advisory board no later than 60 days after the effective date
21 of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly. The
22 advisory board shall meet no later than 90 days after the
23 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 100th General
24 Assembly to elect a chair and vice-chair. Beginning June 1,
25 2019, and every June 1 thereafter, members shall be appointed
26 or reappointed to one-year terms and each newly-appointed

1 advisory board shall meet no later than July 1 of each year to
2 elect a chair and vice-chair.

3 (c) The Fire Commissioner shall provide written notice to
4 the advisory board each time the Fire Commissioner will need to
5 make an appointment of a fire chief or paramedic chief. The
6 Fire Commissioner must provide with the written notice to the
7 advisory board a list of qualified candidates for each position
8 that he or she will need to make an appointment. The advisory
9 board shall meet no later than 30 days after receipt of each
10 written notice from the Fire Commissioner and shall issue a
11 recommendation or recommendations to the Fire Commissioner no
12 later than 15 days after the initial meeting. In order to be
13 recommended for the position of fire chief or paramedic chief,
14 5 members of the advisory board must agree to the
15 recommendation.

16 (d) The Fire Commissioner may appoint a fire chief or
17 paramedic chief after the advisory board has issued its
18 recommendation under subsection (c). An individual appointed
19 fire chief or paramedic chief by the Fire Commissioner must
20 meet the following criteria:

21 (1) is an active member of the Chicago Fire Department
22 who is not receiving any type of pension from the Firemen's
23 Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago;

24 (2) has 10 years of creditable service time with the
25 Chicago Fire Department;

26 (3) has held the career service rank of battalion chief

1 or field chief with the Chicago Fire Department prior to
2 his or her appointment to the rank of fire chief or
3 paramedic chief; and

4 (4) does not exceed the maximum age set forth in the
5 ordinances of the City of Chicago that govern active sworn
6 members of the Chicago Fire Department.

7 (e) The advisory board shall adopt all necessary rules and
8 procedures it finds necessary to carry out the process of
9 recommending qualified candidates. The City of Chicago shall
10 provide administrative and other support to the advisory board.

11 (f) The City of Chicago may not regulate the advisory board
12 in a manner inconsistent with this Section or regulate
13 appointments of fire chiefs or paramedic chiefs in the Chicago
14 Fire Department in a manner inconsistent with this Section.
15 This Section is a limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6
16 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent
17 exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised
18 by the State.

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
20 becoming law."