102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB2802

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Brad Halbrook

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/232 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates a tax credit for individual taxpayers who were members in good standing of a volunteer fire department for at least 6 months during the taxable year. Provides that the amount of the credit is \$1,000. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Exempts the credit from the Act's sunset requirements. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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AN ACT concerning revenue.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by 5 adding Section 232 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 5/232 new)

7 <u>Sec. 232. Tax credit for volunteer firefighters.</u>

(a) For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 8 9 2021, each taxpayer who was a member in good standing of a volunteer fire department for at least 6 months during the 10 taxable year is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed by 11 12 subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in the amount of \$1,000. (b) The credit under this Section may not be carried 13 14 forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. 15

16 <u>(c) For the purposes of this Section, "volunteer</u> 17 <u>firefighter" means a firefighter who does not receive monetary</u> 18 <u>compensation for his or her services to a fire department or</u> 19 <u>fire protection district. Monetary compensation does not</u> 20 <u>include a monetary incentive awarded to a firefighter by the</u> 21 <u>board of trustees of a fire protection district under Section</u> 22 <u>6 of the Fire Protection Act.</u>

23 (d) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section

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2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon3 becoming law.