

1 AN ACT concerning disaster service volunteers.

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

4 Section 5. The Disaster Service Volunteer Leave Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 335/3) (from Ch. 127, par. 4053)

7 Sec. 3. Disaster Service Volunteer Leave. An employee  
8 of a State agency who is a certified disaster service  
9 volunteer of the American Red Cross or assigned to the  
10 Illinois Emergency Management Agency in accordance with the  
11 Illinois Emergency Management Act, the Emergency Management  
12 Assistance Compact Act, or other applicable administrative  
13 rules may be granted leave from his work with pay for not  
14 more than 20 working days in any 12-month period to  
15 participate in specialized disaster relief services for the  
16 American Red Cross or for the Illinois Emergency Management  
17 Agency, as the case may be, upon the request of the American  
18 Red Cross or the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the  
19 services of that employee and upon the approval of that  
20 employee's agency, without loss of seniority, pay, vacation  
21 time, compensatory time, personal days, sick time or earned  
22 overtime accumulation. The agency shall compensate an  
23 employee granted leave under this Section at his regular rate  
24 of pay for those regular work hours during which the employee  
25 is absent from his work. For purposes of assessing State  
26 disaster response needs, requests made pursuant to this Act  
27 for services out-of-state shall be coordinated by the  
28 American Red Cross and the Illinois Emergency Management  
29 Agency through the Illinois State Emergency Operations  
30 Center. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency may consult  
31 with the Department of Central Management Services on leave

1 issues that could impact the operations of State agencies  
 2 under the Governor's jurisdiction. Leave under this Act shall  
 3 not be unreasonably denied for services related to a disaster  
 4 within the United States or its territories ~~be-granted-only~~  
 5 ~~for-services-related-to-a-disaster-occurring-within-the-State~~  
 6 ~~of-Illinois.~~

7 (Source: P.A. 87-638.)

8 Section 10. The Local Government Disaster Service  
 9 Volunteer Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

10 (50 ILCS 122/15)

11 Sec. 15. Local government disaster service volunteer  
 12 leave. An employee of a local agency who is a certified  
 13 disaster service volunteer of the American Red Cross or  
 14 assigned to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency in  
 15 accordance with the Illinois Emergency Management Act, the  
 16 Emergency Management Assistance Compact Act, or other  
 17 applicable administrative rules may be granted leave from his  
 18 or her work with pay for not more than 20 working days in any  
 19 12-month period to participate in specialized disaster relief  
 20 services for the American Red Cross or for the Illinois  
 21 Emergency Management Agency, as the case may be, upon the  
 22 request of the American Red Cross or the Illinois Emergency  
 23 Management Agency for the services of that employee and upon  
 24 the approval of that employee's agency, without loss of  
 25 seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory time, personal  
 26 days, sick time, or earned overtime accumulation. The agency  
 27 must compensate an employee granted leave under this Section  
 28 at his or her regular rate of pay for those regular work  
 29 hours during which the employee is absent from work. Leave  
 30 under this Act shall not be unreasonably denied for services  
 31 related to a disaster within the United States or its  
 32 territories ~~may--be--granted--only-for-services-related-to-a~~

1 ~~disaster-occurring-within-the-State-of-Illinois.~~

2 (Source: P.A. 92-95, eff. 7-18-01.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July  
4 1, 2003.