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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 742/5

Amends the Fire Department Promotion Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning definitions.

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AN ACT concerning local government.

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

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Section 5. The Fire Department Promotion Act is amended by 5 changing Section 5 as follows:

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Sec. 5. Definitions. In this Act: 7

"Affected department" or "department" means a full-time 8 municipal fire department that that is subject to a collective 9 bargaining agreement or the fire department operated by a 10 full-time fire protection district. The terms do not include 11 fire departments operated by the State, a university, or a 12 municipality with a population over 1,000,000 or any unit of 13 14 local government other than a municipality or fire protection 15 district. The terms also do not include a combined department that was providing both police and firefighting services on 16 17 January 1, 2002.

"Appointing authority" means the Board of Fire and Police 18 19 Commissioners, Board of Fire Commissioners, Civil Service 20 Commissioners, Head, Superintendent or Department Fire 21 Protection District Board of Trustees, or other entity having 22 the authority to administer and grant promotions in an affected 23 department.

"Promotion" means any appointment or advancement to a rank 24 25 within the affected department (1) for which an examination was required before January 1, 2002; (2) that is included within a 26 bargaining unit; or (3) that is the next rank immediately above 27 28 the highest rank included within a bargaining unit, provided 29 such rank is not the only rank between the Fire Chief and the 30 highest rank included within the bargaining unit, or is a rank otherwise excepted under item (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (v) of 31 32 this definition. "Promotion" does not include appointments (i)

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1 that are for fewer than 180 days; (ii) to the positions of 2 Superintendent, Chief, or other chief executive officer; (iii) 3 to an exclusively administrative or executive rank for which an 4 examination is not required; (iv) to a rank that was exempted 5 by a home rule municipality prior to January 1, 2002, provided 6 that after the effective date of this Act no home rule municipality may exempt any future or existing ranks from the 7 8 provisions of this Act; or (v) to an administrative rank immediately below the Superintendent, Chief, or other chief 9 executive officer of an affected department, provided such rank 10 shall not be held by more than 2 persons and there is a 11 12 promoted rank immediately below it. Notwithstanding the exceptions to the definition of "promotion" set forth in items 13 (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v) of this definition, promotions 14 15 shall include any appointments to ranks covered by the terms of 16 a collective bargaining agreement in effect on the effective 17 date of this Act.

"Preliminary promotion list" means the rank order of 18 19 eligible candidates established in accordance with subsection 20 (b) of Section 20 prior to applicable veteran's preference points. A person on the preliminary promotion list who is 21 22 eligible for veteran's preference under the laws and agreements 23 applicable to the appointing authority may file a written 24 application for that preference within 10 days after the of the preliminary promotion posting 25 initial list. The 26 preference shall be calculated in accordance with Section 55 27 and applied as an addition to the person's total point score on 28 examination. The appointing authority shall the make 29 adjustments to the preliminary promotion list based on any 30 veteran's preference claimed and the final adjusted promotion 31 list shall then be posted by the appointing authority.

32 "Rank" means any position within the chain of command of a 33 fire department to which employees are regularly assigned to 34 perform duties related to providing fire suppression, fire 35 prevention, or emergency services.

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"Final adjusted promotion list" means the promotion list

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1 for the position that is in effect on the date the position is 2 created or the vacancy occurs. If there is no final adjusted 3 promotion list in effect for that position on that date, or if 4 all persons on the current final adjusted promotion list for 5 that position refuse the promotion, the affected department shall not make a permanent promotion until a new final adjusted 6 7 promotion list has been prepared in accordance with this Act, 8 but may make a temporary appointment to fill the vacancy. Temporary appointments shall not exceed 180 days. 9

Each component of the promotional test shall be scored on a scale of 100 points. The component scores shall then be reduced by the weighting factor assigned to the component on the test and the scores of all components shall be added to produce a total score based on a scale of 100 points.

15 (Source: P.A. 93-411, eff. 8-4-03.)