



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2005 and 2006**  
**SB2154**

Introduced 11/2/2005, by Sen. Larry K. Bomke

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

5 ILCS 335/3  
50 ILCS 122/15

from Ch. 127, par. 4053

Amends the Disaster Service Volunteer Leave Act and the Local Government Disaster Service Volunteer Act. Provides that an employee of a State or local agency who is a member of a Community Emergency Response Team created under the direction of a unit of local government, or any agency thereof, may be granted leave from his or her work with pay for not more than 20 working days in any 12-month period to participate in specialized disaster relief services upon the request of Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the services of that employee and upon the approval of that employee's agency, without loss of seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory time, personal days, sick time or earned overtime accumulation. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

1 AN ACT concerning public employees.

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.

8 (a) An employee of a State agency who is a certified  
9 disaster service volunteer of the American Red Cross or  
10 assigned to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency in  
11 accordance with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act,  
12 the Emergency Management Assistance Compact Act, or other  
13 applicable administrative rules may be granted leave from his  
14 work with pay for not more than 20 working days in any 12-month  
15 period to participate in specialized disaster relief services  
16 for the American Red Cross or for the Illinois Emergency  
17 Management Agency, as the case may be, upon the request of the  
18 American Red Cross or the Illinois Emergency Management Agency  
19 for the 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.

23 (b) An employee of a State agency who is a member of a  
24 Community Emergency Response Team created under the direction  
25 of a unit of local government, or any agency thereof, may be  
26 granted leave from his or her work with pay for not more than  
27 20 working days in any 12-month period to participate in  
28 specialized disaster relief services upon the request of  
29 Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the services of that  
30 employee and upon the approval of that employee's agency,  
31 without loss of seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory  
32 time, personal days, sick time or earned overtime accumulation.

1       (c) The agency shall compensate an employee granted leave  
2 under this Section at his regular rate of pay for those regular  
3 work hours during which the employee is absent from his work.  
4 For purposes of assessing State disaster response needs,  
5 requests made pursuant to this Act for services out-of-state  
6 shall be coordinated by the American Red Cross and the Illinois  
7 Emergency Management Agency through the Illinois State  
8 Emergency Operations Center. The Illinois Emergency Management  
9 Agency may consult with the Department of Central Management  
10 Services on leave issues that could impact the operations of  
11 State agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction. Leave under  
12 this Act shall not be unreasonably denied for services related  
13 to a disaster within the United States or its territories.

14       (Source: P.A. 93-893, eff. 8-10-04.)

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

17       (50 ILCS 122/15)

18       Sec. 15. Local government disaster service volunteer  
19 leave.

20       (a) An employee of a local agency who is a certified  
21 disaster service volunteer of the American Red Cross or  
22 assigned to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency in  
23 accordance with the Illinois Emergency Management Act, the  
24 Emergency Management Assistance Compact Act, or other  
25 applicable administrative rules may be granted leave from his  
26 or her work with pay for not more than 20 working days in any  
27 12-month period to participate in specialized disaster relief  
28 services for the American Red Cross or for the Illinois  
29 Emergency Management Agency, as the case may be, upon the  
30 request of the American Red Cross or the Illinois Emergency  
31 Management Agency for the services of that employee and upon  
32 the approval of that employee's agency, without loss of  
33 seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory time, personal  
34 days, sick time, or earned overtime accumulation.

1       (b) An employee of a local agency who is a member of a  
2       Community Emergency Response Team created under the direction  
3       of a unit of local government, or any agency thereof, may be  
4       granted leave from his or her work with pay for not more than  
5       20 working days in any 12-month period to participate in  
6       specialized disaster relief services upon the request of  
7       Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the services of that  
8       employee and upon the approval of that employee's agency,  
9       without loss of seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory  
10       time, personal days, sick time or earned overtime accumulation.

11       (c) The agency must compensate an employee granted leave  
12       under this Section at his or her regular rate of pay for those  
13       regular work hours during which the employee is absent from  
14       work. Leave under this Act shall not be unreasonably denied for  
15       services related to a disaster within the United States or its  
16       territories.

17       (Source: P.A. 92-95, eff. 7-18-01; 93-893, eff. 8-10-04.)

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