

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. Leave under this Act shall not be
26 unreasonably denied ~~be-granted-only-for-services-related-to-a~~
27 ~~disaster-occurring-within-the-State-of-Illinois.~~

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

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

1 (50 ILCS 122/15)

2 Sec. 15. Local government disaster service volunteer
3 leave. An employee of a local agency who is a certified
4 disaster service volunteer of the American Red Cross or
5 assigned to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency in
6 accordance with the Illinois Emergency Management Act, the
7 Emergency Management Assistance Compact Act, or other
8 applicable administrative rules may be granted leave from his
9 or her work with pay for not more than 20 working days in any
10 12-month period to participate in specialized disaster relief
11 services for the American Red Cross or for the Illinois
12 Emergency Management Agency, as the case may be, upon the
13 request of the American Red Cross or the Illinois Emergency
14 Management Agency for the services of that employee and upon
15 the approval of that employee's agency, without loss of
16 seniority, pay, vacation time, compensatory time, personal
17 days, sick time, or earned overtime accumulation. The agency
18 must compensate an employee granted leave under this Section
19 at his or her regular rate of pay for those regular work
20 hours during which the employee is absent from work. Leave
21 under this Act shall not be unreasonably denied ~~may-be~~
22 ~~granted-only-for-services-related--to--a--disaster--occurring~~
23 ~~within-the-State-of-Illinois.~~

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