

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1868

By: Representative L. Johnson

By: Senator K. Hammer

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO PAY A FAIR AND
REASONABLE SERVICE FEE DIRECTLY TO A FIRE DEPARTMENT
FOR FIREFIGHTING SERVICES BASED ON TIME ON SCENE; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO PAY A FAIR AND
REASONABLE SERVICE FEE DIRECTLY TO A
FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR FIREFIGHTING
SERVICES BASED ON TIME ON SCENE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 88, Subchapter 1, is amended to add a new section to read as follows:

23-88-107. Service fee for firefighting services – Definition.

(a) As used in this section, "time on scene" means the documented time spent by a fire department at the scene of a structure fire, accident, or motor vehicle fire in response to an emergency call from the moment of arrival at the scene of the structure fire, accident, or motor vehicle fire until the documented time the scene is cleared by the fire department.

(b) If a fire department responds to a fire occurring within its district and the property that is the subject of the alarm is insured in case of any damage resulting from a fire, the insurance company insuring the property against loss shall pay a fair and reasonable service fee directly to the fire department for its firefighting services based on the time on scene of the fire department.

