## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS26038

This proposal provides local discretion for making decisions regarding the type of medical screenings required for full-time, part-time or volunteer firefighters. Current legislation requires specific screening standards. Allowing more flexibility in medical screening choices is intended to decrease costs, improve access to more medical screening options, and reduce unnecessary barriers to entry, especially for rural fire districts. There is no requirement that any district change its medical screening choices.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

There is no General Fund fiscal impact as these costs are paid by local fire districts and fire departments. It is expected that costs will stay the same for districts who do not choose to make a change, whereas costs will likely decrease for districts who select a different screening medical service or provider.

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