

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Raised Bill No. 6973

LCO No. **4488**

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 7-464 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October* 1, 2025):

4 (a) Any town, city or borough may, through its authorized officials, 5 provide such form or forms of group life, health and accident and 6 hospital plan benefits for its employees as it deems advisable. Any town, 7 city or borough that provides health and accident and hospital plan 8 benefits for its employees may arrange and procure the same benefits 9 for each active member of a volunteer fire company or department or 10 volunteer ambulance service or company within such town, city or 11 borough, provided the member (1) elects coverage under such plan or 12 plans, (2) pays [one hundred per cent] <u>a percentage</u> of the premium 13 charged as negotiated between such town, city or borough and such 14 <u>member</u> and any additional costs for such coverage, and (3) meets the

15 requirements for active status set forth by said town, city or borough.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2025	7-464(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To allow each town, city or borough in the state to negotiate health insurance premiums with members of such town's, city's or borough's volunteer fire department or volunteer ambulance service.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]