

By: Cook of Colorado

H.B. No. 2171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the volunteer fire department self-insurance fund.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Sections 5(a) and (c), Article 21.61, Insurance
5 Code, are amended to read as follows:

6 (a) The volunteer fire department self-insurance fund is an
7 account in a depository selected by the board of regents of The
8 Texas A&M University System in the manner provided by Section
9 51.003, Education Code, for funds subject to the control of
10 institutions of higher education under Section 51.002, Education
11 Code [~~the general revenue fund~~].

12 (c) Money in the fund may be expended [~~in accordance with~~
13 ~~legislative appropriation~~] only for:

14 (1) administration of this article, including the
15 salaries and expenses of staff for the program and the fund; or

16 (2) funding self-insurance under the program.

17 SECTION 2. The following are validated and confirmed in all
18 respects:

19 (1) the maintenance of the volunteer fire department
20 self-insurance fund established under Article 21.61, Insurance
21 Code, in a depository as otherwise allowed by law for funds subject
22 to the control of The Texas A&M University System or the Texas
23 Forest Service; and

24 (2) any act of The Texas A&M University System or the

1 Texas Forest Service relating to maintaining those funds in a
2 depository described by Subdivision (1) of this section.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.