

By: Simpson

H.B. No. 11

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to appropriating money to the Texas A&M Forest Service to  
3 assist volunteer fire departments during the next state fiscal  
4 biennium.

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

6 SECTION 1. In addition to amounts appropriated to the Texas  
7 A&M Forest Service by Senate Bill No. 1, Acts of the 83rd  
8 Legislature, Regular Session, 2013 (the General Appropriations  
9 Act), \$11,500,000 is appropriated out of general revenue account  
10 number 5064, Volunteer Fire Department Assistance, to the service  
11 for each of the fiscal years of the state fiscal biennium ending  
12 August 31, 2015, for the purpose of assisting volunteer  
13 firefighters in paying for equipment, personnel training, and  
14 administration, and for the purpose of staffing and operating costs  
15 associated with the Statewide Wildfire Protection Plan.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
20 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
21 legislative session.