

SENATE BILL NO. 970

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ESLINGER.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 320.210, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to qualifications of fire protection employees.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 320.210, RSMo, is repealed and one new
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 320.210,
3 to read as follows:

320.210. The state fire marshal shall appoint one
2 assistant director and such other investigators and
3 employees as the needs of the office require within the
4 limits of the appropriation made for such purpose.
5 [Supervising investigators shall be at least twenty-five
6 years of age and shall have either a minimum of five years'
7 experience in fire risk inspection, prevention, or
8 investigation work, or a degree in fire protection
9 engineering from a recognized college or university of
10 engineering.] No person shall be appointed as an
11 investigator or other employee who has been convicted of a
12 felony or other crime involving moral turpitude. Any person
13 appointed as an investigator shall be of good character,
14 shall be a citizen of the United States, [shall have been a
15 taxpaying resident of this state for at least three years
16 immediately preceding his appointment, and] shall be a
17 graduate of an accredited four-year high school or, in lieu
18 thereof, shall have obtained a certificate of equivalency

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

19 from the state department of elementary and secondary
20 education, and shall [possess ordinary physical strength and
21 be able to pass such physical and mental examinations as the
22 state fire marshal may prescribe] **be a resident of Missouri**
23 **at the time of appointment.** An investigator or employee
24 shall not hold any other commission or office, elective or
25 appointive, or accept any other employment **that would pose a**
26 **conflict of interest** while he **or she** is an investigator or
27 employee. An investigator or employee shall not accept any
28 compensation, reward, or gift other than his **or her** regular
29 salary and expenses for the performance of his **or her**
30 official duties.

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