

## Illinois Fire Services Association Legislative Summit

October 21, 2022

The Illinois Fire Services Association is composed of many diverse Fire Service Communities in Illinois with an interest that best serves their respective membership. It is understood that through an open dialogue amongst the FSA members that common interest may be identified, and solutions obtained through agreed upon initiatives. The agreed upon initiatives will be brought forth to the Illinois Fire Service Caucus and in collaboration of all member groups, work to support those agreed upon initiatives through the legislative process. It is further understood that each member group may have interests that may be pursued on their own without support of the FSA or the Fire Caucus.

It is understood that:

- The FSA, through unanimous agreement, will submit a list of initiatives to the Fire Caucus for legislative action.
- The list of agreed upon initiatives will be listed under the title of "Illinois Fire Caucus Initiatives".
- All member groups are not to misrepresent their own initiatives as "Illinois Fire Caucus Initiatives".

### ***Pre-Summit***

- All member groups will submit their initiative(s) on the form provided via email to [jrbuckleyjr@gmail.com](mailto:jrbuckleyjr@gmail.com) by **noon on October 7, 2022**.
- Each group's designated representatives will provide a brief synopsis of each initiative. In order to move through the process in a timely manner, we ask that each initiative address the following questions:
  - Summary of the problem and proposed solution.
  - Why is the initiative needed?
  - Proposed language to resolve the problem.
  - Funding source (if applicable)?
  - Other clarifying information.
- The designated representatives for each group will receive copies each initiative shortly after the submission deadline.
- After the initiatives are received by the member groups, questions may be addressed to the organization that submitted the initiative through the contact information provided on the bottom of the initiative form.

### ***Summit***

- Attendance will be taken with a review of the credentials for each member group.
- The moderator will then begin the review of each initiative presented, by summarizing the initiative.
- The submitting member group will have the opportunity to briefly add supporting information.
- The Moderator will ask for any questions from the floor. Short discussions will be allowed.
- After a reasonable amount of time is given to the floor, the Moderator will ask for a vote from the primary representatives to support the initiative.
- Only initiatives receiving unanimous support will be carried forward on the list of Illinois Fire Caucus Initiatives.
- All failing initiatives will be struck from the record as non-Fire Caucus Initiatives.
- Once initiatives are unanimously approved by all member groups present, the Moderator will then add those initiatives to the Fire Caucus supported list.

### ***Post Summit***

- After the summit, the member group introducing the initiative will be responsible for drafting the language needed for dissemination to the Illinois Fire Caucus and securing legislative sponsorship.
- All drafted language must be submitted to the FSA, who will then provide copies to the member groups to assure that the language meets the intent of the presented initiative.
- All member groups agree that they will work to support those initiatives through the legislative process.
- The FSA will provide follow-up information as needed.