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Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Dent, Charles W. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Apr 27, 2017
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		May 11, 2017
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jun 12, 2017
Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Jun 27, 2017
Rep. Frelinghuysen, Rodney P. [R-NJ-11]	R · NJ		Oct 3, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to exclude services rendered by bona-fide volunteers providing firefighting and prevention services, emergency medical services, or ambulance services to a state or local government or a tax-exempt charitable organization from the category of services usually rendered by an employee of an applicable large employer subject to the mandate to provide minimum essential health care coverage under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), thus exempting such employers from PPACA requirements with respect to such volunteers.

The bill defines "bona fide volunteer" as an employee of any government entity and any tax-exempt charitable organization whose only compensation is in the form of: (1) reimbursement for (or reasonable allowance for) reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of volunteer services, or (2) reasonable benefits (including length-of-service awards) and nominal fees customarily paid by similar entities for the services of volunteers.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 6, 2017:** Introduced in House
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