

House Bill 338

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 25-4-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council establishment and organization, advisory  
3 committees, and expenses and allowances, so as to establish appointment procedures of the  
4 Georgia State Firefighters Association and the Georgia Association of Fire Chiefs; to provide  
5 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 25-4-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Georgia  
9 Firefighter Standards and Training Council establishment and organization, advisory  
10 committees, and expenses and allowances, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

11 "(a) The Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council is established. The council  
12 shall be composed of ~~11~~ 13 members, one of whom shall be the Safety Fire Commissioner  
13 or the designated representative of the Safety Fire Commissioner. Two members shall be  
14 appointed by the Lieutenant Governor. Two members shall be appointed by the Speaker  
15 of the House of Representatives. The remaining ~~six~~ eight members shall be appointed by  
16 the Governor subject to the following requirements:

- 17 (1) One member shall be a member of the governing authority of a county;  
18 (2) One member shall be a member of the governing authority of a municipality;  
19 (3) One member shall be a city or county manager;  
20 (4) One member shall be the chief of a county or municipal fire department; ~~and~~  
21 (5) Two members shall be state certified firefighter training officers;  
22 (6) One member shall be president of the Georgia State Firefighters Association or his  
23 or her designee for the length of the president's term; and  
24 (7) One member shall be president of the Georgia Association of Fire Chiefs or his or  
25 her designee for the length of the president's term."

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**SECTION 2.**

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.