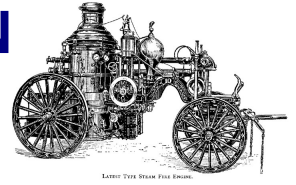




# RHODE ISLAND ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS, INC.

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Chief Scott Partington, President*



March 2, 2021

Representative Raymond A. Hull, Chairman  
House Committee on Municipal Government  
Rhode Island House of Representatives  
82 Smith Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Re: House Bill #5427

Dear Chairman Hull,

As Chairman of the House Committee on Municipal Government, the RI Association of Fire Chiefs would like you, and the members of your committee, to know that the RI Association of Fire Chiefs are in support of H-5427, authorizing fire districts to provide tax exemption for volunteer firefighters from paying fire taxes.

As always, it is important for these organizations to have some type of incentives to attract "volunteers" to get this very important job done. This bill would provide one more tool in the toolbox to keep them providing these valuable services to the communities who need them.

As always, I am available to answer any questions you may have or to meet with you or your staff at any time. I can be reached on my cell phone at 401-692-0795 or by email at [rifirechiefs@gmail.com](mailto:rifirechiefs@gmail.com).

Thank you for your consideration & continued support of the RI fire service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard A. Susi".

Chief Richard A. Susi, Ret.  
Executive Director  
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