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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 85, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to paid members of any fire department or fire district.

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

Section A. Chapter 85, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new  
2 section, to be known as section 85.015, to read as follows:

**85.015. No political subdivision shall restrict any paid member  
2 of a fire department or fire district from becoming a candidate for  
3 public office as the terms "candidate" and "public office" are defined  
4 under section 130.011, or from supporting or opposing any political  
5 party, candidate or petition while off duty and not in uniform, except  
6 that a paid member of a fire department or fire district shall not  
7 qualify as a candidate for public office in the political subdivision in  
8 which the fire department or fire district is located unless otherwise  
9 authorized by local or state law, statute, charter, ordinance, or order.**

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