1. Revised: Selected Relevant Statutes Booklet

An updated version of the Selected Relevant Statutes booklet for volunteer fire relief associations is now available. The Selected Relevant Statutes booklet contains many of the State statutes relevant to relief associations. Relief association trustees are encouraged to download the booklet for reference when updating bylaws, making investment decisions, and calculating benefit payments.

The booklet can be accessed at:

https://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20080304.004

2. Update: Second Certification for 2019 Fire State Aid

The OSA is pleased to announce that 94 volunteer fire relief associations met all reporting requirements to be certified as eligible for receipt of their 2019 fire state aid and supplemental state aid in the second round of aid payments. State aid will be disbursed on or about November 15 for those plans that met the reporting requirements. In total, over 89 percent of relief associations have now been certified as eligible for their 2019 state aid.

A listing from the Minnesota Department of Revenue of the 2019 fire state aid and supplemental state aid amounts can be found on the OSA website at:

https://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20191003.000

3. Avoiding Pitfalls: County Commissioner Compensation

Increases in salary and per diem rates for county commissioners in counties other than Hennepin and Ramsey cannot take effect until January 1 of the year following the county board’s action to set their own level of compensation.

To learn more about this requirement, please visit the OSA’s website at:

https://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20091204.000
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