

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2019 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2019 BR NUMBER 1282

HOUSE BILL NUMBER 273/GA

TITLE AN ACT relating to professional and volunteer firefighters programs, declaring an emergency, and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSOR Representative Michael Meredith

FISCAL SUMMARY

STATE FISCAL IMPACT: ☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ☐ ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS ☐ LOCAL MANDATE ☐ CORRECTIONS IMPACT ☐ HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: Kentucky Community and Technical College System

FUND(S) IMPACTED: ☐ GENERAL ☐ ROAD ☐ FEDERAL ☒ RESTRICTED Firefighters Foundation Program Fund

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2018-2019	2019-2020	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES		\$50,000	\$50,000
NET EFFECT		(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)

() indicates a decrease/negative

PURPOSE OF MEASURE: This measure establishes the Alan “Chip” Terry Professional Development and Wellness Program to offer at least two annual, seminar-based peer support and counseling service classes for professional and volunteer firefighters to be administered by the Kentucky Fire Commission (KFC). The Professional and Volunteer Firefighters Professional Development and Wellness Program Fund is established and may be funded with restricted funds from the Firefighters Foundation Program Fund, grants, gifts, state appropriations, and federal funds.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: HB273/GA authorizes Firefighter Foundation Program funds to be utilized by the Alan “Chip” Terry Professional Development and Wellness Program for at least two classes, projected at \$50,000, annually, consisting of classroom, meals, travel, and lodging costs for 30 firefighters per class. Due to program development schedules, classes will not begin until fiscal year 2019-2020.

DATA SOURCE(S): Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education (Kentucky Fire Commission).

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