

An Act relating to torts; creating the Firefighters Protection Act; defining terms; limiting liability of a firefighter for certain acts or omissions; establishing burden of proof and level of evidence; specifying certain conditions; making certain conditions consistent with act; prohibiting punitive damages being awarded against a firefighter; providing certain exceptions; clarifying application of prohibition; specifying certain exceptions to the limitation of liability; limiting application if misconduct is during the hiring process; providing for the award of costs and attorney fees; limiting application to certain action or proceedings; authorizing expert witness fees; limiting amount of contingency fees by an attorney; providing for waiver of a defense if liability insurance is available; providing for the applicability of other laws; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.