

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS TO
VOLUNTEER AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS**

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This act modifies the Volunteer Government Workers Act to expand workers' compensation coverage to volunteer auxiliary police officers and makes technical changes.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

67-20-7, as last amended by Chapter 240, Laws of Utah 1996

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **67-20-7** is amended to read:

67-20-7. Workers' compensation benefits for volunteer firefighters.

(1) In addition to the purposes set out in Subsections 67-20-3(2) and (3), [~~a volunteer firefighter, as defined in Section 49-5-103, is] the following are considered an agency employee for the purpose of receiving workers' compensation benefits under Title [~~35A~~] 34A, Chapter [~~3~~] 2, Workers' Compensation Act, and Chapter [~~3a~~] 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act[-]:~~

(a) a volunteer firefighter as defined in Section 49-5-103; and

(b) an auxiliary police officer:

(i) as defined in Section 53-13-112; and

(ii) who is serving as a volunteer as defined in Section 67-20-2.

(2) [~~These~~] The workers' compensation benefits as described in Subsection (2) are the exclusive remedy for all injuries and occupational diseases resulting from [his] the services of an individual described in Subsection (1) provided as:

(a) a volunteer firefighter; or

(b) an auxiliary police officer who is serving as a volunteer. [Compensation]

(3) For purposes of calculating workers' compensation benefits for an individual covered



28 by this section, the average weekly wage rate of the following compensation shall be computed:
29 (a) for volunteer firefighters, as indicated in Section 49-5-802[-]; and
30 (b) for an auxiliary police officer who is serving as a volunteer by using the lowest
31 monthly salary of a police officer in a city of the first class in this state.

Legislative Review Note
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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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