



TENNESSEE  
PROFESSIONAL  
FIRE FIGHTERS  
ASSOCIATION

FRANK D. STEPHENS  
LEGISLATIVE  
CONFERENCE

MARCH 9-11, 2026



Thank you to Siddons-Martin  
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evening





## Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association Frank Stephens Legislative Conference

**March 9-11, 2026**

### Monday, March 9

- 1:00pm – 5:00pm Legislative Conference Session  
(Hilton Hotel Downtown – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- 5:30pm – 6:30pm Hospitality Event Hosted by Matthew Tomek & Barry Byers  
Sponsored by Siddons-Martin

### Tuesday, March 10

- 7:30am – Until Legislative Appointments @ Cordell Hull Building
- 4:00pm Fish Fry Finalize Setup (Musicians Hall of Fame)
- 5:00pm – 8:00pm 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Fish Fry (Musicians Hall of Fame)

### Wednesday, March 11

- 7:00am – 9:00am Breakfast Available in Meeting Room
- 9:00am – 11:00am Jamie Wayman, Director  
Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS)
- Jeffrey Burns  
National Firefighter Registry for Cancer Prevention



## **Upcoming Events**

### **Wednesday, May 20th**

Murfreesboro Fire Fighters Local 3035 Golf Tournament  
Benefiting the TN Firefighter Emergency Relief Fund

Cedar Crest Golf Course

Murfreesboro, TN

### **Thursday, May 21st**

TPFFA Executive Board Meeting

TN FF Emergency Relief Fund Board Meeting

Double Tree Hotel

Murfreesboro, TN

### **October 2, 2026**

TPFFA Executive Board Meeting

Hampton Inn & Suites

Hendersonville, TN

# THE BUBBA JONES GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR FIRE FIGHTER RELIEF

To benefit Tennessee Firefighter's Emergency Relief Fund

Contact information: Mike Adams (cell:) 615-477-2777 email t2mfdcapt@comcast.net

Mail entry to: 2159 North Thompson Lane, B-5, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

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## Murfreesboro Fire Fighters Association



Enjoy a great day of fellowship and golf for a great cause

Lunch begins  
At 11:30  
Tee off 1:00

## I.A.F.F. Local 3035

MAY 20, 2026

Cedar Crest Golf  
Course

7972 Mona Rd M'Boro  
Tn 37129



Have Your Business Name Placed  
on a Hole

HOLE SPONSOR - \$300

Information for your sign:

## BRING YOUR OWN TEAM

Per Person: \$150 (includes yardstick (per team), range balls, lunch, beverages)

Optional — Tee Forward... \$20.00 per team, up to 2 mulligans each player...\$5.00 each

Team Entry Form

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

1st Name: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4th Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTENTION: Register Early!**

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SENATE BILL 1900

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39  
and Title 40, relative to first responders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-116(c)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(A) Assault against a law enforcement officer or first responder under subsection (a) is a Class E felony, and shall be punished by a mandatory fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and a mandatory minimum sentence of sixty (60) days incarceration. The defendant is not eligible for release from confinement until the defendant has served the entire sixty-day mandatory minimum sentence.

(B) Assault against a nurse under subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a mandatory fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and a mandatory minimum sentence of thirty (30) days incarceration. The defendant is not eligible for release from confinement until the defendant has served the entire thirty-day mandatory minimum sentence.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it.

# Protecting Tennessee's First Responders

SB1900 (Bailey) HB2428 (Capley)



**Assaulting a first responder while in service to their community is not just a simple crime. It is an attack on public safety.**



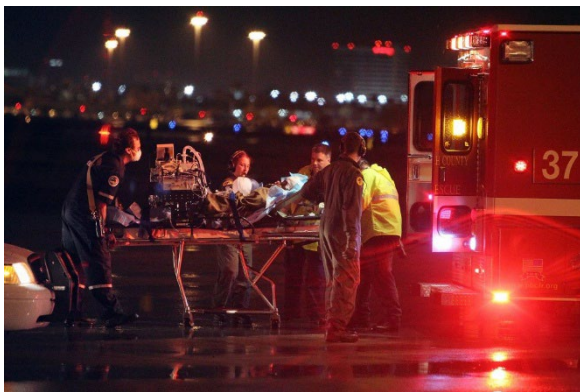
Firefighters and emergency medical personnel respond to everything from structure fires, overdoses, domestic violence calls, crashes, and unstable rescue scenes. They are now being forced to endure increasingly frequent assaults against them while providing lifesaving care.

In 2023, the General Assembly recognized the heightened risk to public safety that assaulting law enforcement poses and increased the offense of assault to a Class E felony, punishable by a mandatory fine of \$10,000 and a mandatory minimum sentence of 60 days incarceration.

**This legislation extends the enhancement to all first responders.**

Violence against a first responder disrupts emergency operations and directly impacts community safety.

When a responder is assaulted, patient care is delayed, additional units must be diverted, and overall community risk increases. SB1900/HB2428 ensures the law reflects the seriousness of assaulting someone who is actively protecting lives and property in service to the public welfare.



## Arrest after EMS worker assaulted

**Woman assaults officers while MPD investigated deadly nightclub shooting, records show**

**Gray woman charged with assault against first responders**

**Man arrested for assaulting first responders**

**Knoxville man arrested for sexual battery on first responder, report says**

# SB 1900

# FISCAL NOTE



Fiscal Review Committee  
Tennessee General Assembly

January 24, 2026

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**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Increases the offense of assault against a first responder, from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class E felony, punishable by a mandatory fine of \$10,000 and a mandatory minimum sentence of 60 days incarceration.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

STATE GOVERNMENT	
EXPENDITURES	Incarceration
	\$2,685,200

LOCAL GOVERNMENT	
EXPENDITURES	Mandatory
FY26-27 & Subsequent Years	(\$426,700)

### Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-13-116(a)(1)-(2), a person commits assault against a law enforcement officer, first responder, or nurse, who is discharging or attempting to discharge the law enforcement officer's, first responder's, or nurse's official duties, who:
  - Knowingly causes bodily injury to a law enforcement officer, first responder, or nurse; or
  - Knowingly causes physical contact with a law enforcement officer, first responder, or nurse and a reasonable person would regard the contact as extremely offensive or provocative, including, but not limited to, spitting, throwing, or otherwise transferring bodily fluids, bodily pathogens, or human waste onto the person of a law enforcement officer, first responder, or nurse.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-13-116(c)(1)(B), assault against a first responder or nurse under subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a mandatory fine of \$5,000 and a mandatory minimum sentence of 30 days incarceration. The defendant is not eligible for release from confinement until the defendant has served the entire 30-day mandatory minimum sentence.
- The proposed legislation increases the offense of assault against a first responder to a Class E felony, punishable by a mandatory fine of \$10,000 and a mandatory minimum sentence of 60 days incarceration.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Correction Jail Summary Reports, there has been an average of 235.89 Class

A misdemeanor convictions for assault against a first responder in each of the last five years, when the offense was created. However, these convictions represent assaults against first responders and nurses.

- This analysis assumes that 90 percent, or 212.29 convictions (235.89 x 90%), are for assault against a first responder.
- While the proposed legislation establishes a mandatory minimum sentence of 60 days incarceration, this analysis assumes an offender will serve the established average sentence for a Class E felony offense.
- The average time served for a Class E felony offense is 0.54 years.
- The proposed legislation will result in 212.29 admissions annually serving 0.54 years.
- Based on population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, population growth in Tennessee averaged 1.24 percent per year.
- The weighted average operational costs per inmate per day are estimated to be \$67.31 for inmates housed at state facilities and \$48.40 for inmates housed at local facilities.
- The increase in incarceration costs is estimated to be the following over the next three-year period:

Increase in State Expenditures	
Amount	Fiscal Year
\$ 2,619,700	FY26-27
\$ 2,652,200	FY27-28
\$ 2,685,200	FY28-29

- Pursuant to Public Chapter 1007 of 2022, recurring costs increases are to be estimated on the highest of the next three fiscal years; therefore, the recurring increase in incarceration costs will be \$2,685,200.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-13-116(c)(1)(B), an individual convicted of a Class A misdemeanor offense of assault against a first responder will spend 30 days in a local jail.
- Based on cost estimates provided by local government entities throughout the state and reported bed capacity within such facilities, the weighted average cost per day to house an inmate in a local jail facility is \$67.
- The recurring mandatory decrease in expenditures to local governments is estimated to be \$426,703 (212.29 convictions x \$67 x 30 days) in FY26-27 and subsequent years.
- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee’s study and the Administrative Office of the Courts’ study on collection of court costs, fees, and fines, collection in criminal cases is insignificant. The proposed legislation will not significantly change state or local revenue.
- The estimated fiscal impact of the proposed legislation does not consider the availability of beds in state and local facilities, but is based solely on the current operating costs of state facilities and the reimbursement rates for local facilities as is required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-4-210.
- All calculations used in the completion of this fiscal note are available upon request.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Executive Director



## **SENATE BILL 1900 FIREFIGHTER ASSAULT BILL**

**Senate Judiciary Committee  
February 17, 2026**

**Passed 6-0-3**

**Voting Yes:**

**Senator Todd Gardenhire  
Senator Bobby Harshbarger  
Senator Paul Rose  
Senator John Stevens  
Senator Brent Taylor  
Senator Dawn White**

**Present Not Voting:**

**Senator Sara Kyle  
Senator London Lamar  
Senator Kerry Roberts**



**SENATE BILL 1900  
HOUSE BILL 2428  
FIREFIGHTER ASSAULT BILL**

**Sponsors as of March 1, 2026**

**Senate Bill 1900**

Senator Paul Bailey (sponsor)  
Senator Adam Lowe  
Senator Bobby Harshbarger  
Senator Jessie Seal  
Senator Tom Hatcher  
Senator Ed Jackson  
Lt. Governor Randy McNally

**House Bill 2428**

Representative Kip Capley (sponsor)  
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Representative Paul Sherrell  
Representative Fred Atchey  
Representative David Hawk  
Representative Michael Hale  
Representative Lowell Russell  
Representative Scott Cepicky  
Speaker Cameron Sexton

SENATE BILL 2212

By Taylor

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 24; Title 7, Chapter 51, Part 2; Title 38, Chapter 8 and Title 68, Chapter 140, relative to compensation for emergency responder deaths in the line of duty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-51-210(c), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(c) A claim for payment of an annuity pursuant to this section must be filed with the department of finance and administration no later than three (3) years after the later of the following:

(1) The date of death of the decedent; or

(2) The date of a final order or other determination designating the decedent's death as being in the line of duty that is issued by a court, administrative law judge, or other state or local government official, entity, or body with the authority to issue such order or determination.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-51-210(e), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(e)

(1) A denial of a claim made under this section by the estate of a law enforcement officer is subject to review by the Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission within one (1) year of the date of the denial. The commission has the authority to review the claim and issue a final order or other determination which is binding upon this state. The commission shall

cause copies of the final order or determination to be delivered to the claimant's estate and the department of finance and administration.

(2) A denial of a claim made under this section by the estate of a firefighter or volunteer rescue squad worker is subject to review by the commission on firefighting personnel standards and education within one (1) year of the date of the denial. The commission has the authority to review the claim and issue a final order or other determination which is binding upon this state. The commission shall cause copies of the final order or determination to be delivered to the claimant's estate and the department of finance and administration. The commissioner shall not participate in the commission's review of a denied claim; except, that the commissioner may offer testimony regarding the commissioner's reasons for denying the claim, if requested by the commission.

(3) A denial of a claim made under this section by the estate of an emergency medical technician is subject to review by the Tennessee emergency medical services board within one (1) year of the date of the denial. The board has the authority to review the claim and issue a final order or other determination which is binding upon this state. The board shall cause copies of the final order or determination to be delivered to the claimant's estate and the department of finance and administration.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and unless prohibited by the United States Constitution or Tennessee Constitution, is retroactive to March 1, 2020.

# SB 2212 - HB 2477

## FISCAL NOTE



Fiscal Review Committee  
Tennessee General Assembly

February 24, 2026

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**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Revises the period for an annuity payment claim to be filed with the Department of Finance and Administration (F&A) on behalf of the estate of an emergency responder killed in the line of duty by allowing the claim to be filed within three years of the date of the official designation of the death as occurring in the line of duty.

Extends the period for an estate to file an appeal of a denial from 90 days to one year. Authorizes a denied claim to be subject to review by the applicable Commission on Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education or Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Board within one year of the date of the denial.

Declares that unless prohibited by the United States Constitution or Tennessee Constitution, that the act applies retroactive to March 1, 2020.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

##### Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-51-210(b), the estate of an emergency responder who is killed in the line of duty is entitled to receive a \$250,000 annuity, paid by the state in installments of \$50,000 each year for five years.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 7-51-210(c), requires the claim for payment of an annuity to be filed with the department of F&A no later than three years after the date of death of the decedent.
- Revising the language to include within three years from the date of the official designation of the death in the line of duty for annuity claims is not estimated to result in a significant increase in the number of line-of-duty deaths who could be provided a state funded death benefit in any given fiscal year; therefore, any increase in state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.
- Any impact relative to the review of denied claims by the Commission on Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education or Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Board is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Executive Director

SENATE BILL 2005

By Hatcher

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5;  
Title 6; Title 38 and Title 68, relative to fire  
investigation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-102-127, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

(a)

(1) The commissioner of commerce and insurance and the commissioner's deputies have police powers when necessary to preserve the law relative to cases of arson or suspected arson, including the power to make arrests; provided, that, the individual seeking to exercise the powers has a current certification from the peace officer standards and training commission (POST). In addition, the commissioner and the commissioner's deputies may conduct further investigations as to the origin or circumstances of a fire occurring in this state by the appointment of special assistants or the employment of other means necessary in the commissioner's discretion.

(2) Subdivision (a)(1) does not prohibit the commissioner or the commissioner's deputies from otherwise conducting investigations as to the origin or circumstances of a fire occurring in this state without a current certification from POST if the commissioner or the commissioner's deputy is not exercising police powers in conducting the investigation.

(b)

(1) A municipal fire investigator has police powers, including the power to make arrests, when necessary to preserve the laws of this state or the investigator's respective municipality relative to cases of arson or suspected arson if the municipal fire investigator:

(A) Has been authorized by the chief of the municipal fire department or the director of fire services to conduct investigations relative to the cause and origin of fires or arson investigations; and

(B) Has a current certification from POST.

(2) Subdivision (b)(1) does not prohibit a municipal fire investigator from conducting an investigation relative to the cause and origin of a fire or arson investigations without a current certification from POST if the municipal fire investigator is not exercising police powers in conducting the investigation.

(c)

(1) A salaried county fire investigator has police powers, including the power to make arrests, when necessary to preserve the laws of this state or the investigator's respective jurisdiction relative to cases of arson or suspected arson if the salaried county fire investigator:

(A) Has been authorized by the chief of the county-wide fire department or the director of fire services to conduct investigations relative to the cause and origin of fires or arson investigations; and

(B) Has a current certification from POST.

(2) Subdivision (c)(1) does not prohibit a salaried county fire investigator from conducting an investigation relative to the cause and origin of a fire or arson investigations without a current certification from POST if the salaried county fire investigator is not exercising police powers in conducting the investigation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-107, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(h) The commission shall also issue a certificate of compliance to the commissioner of commerce and insurance; the commissioner's deputies; a municipal fire investigator, as described in § 68-102-127(b)(1); or a salaried county fire investigator, as described in § 68-102-127(c)(1), on or after January 1, 2027, if the person meets the qualifications for employment as a police officer and satisfactorily completes an approved recruit training program as required by this part. To retain this certification, the person shall also successfully complete an annual in-service training session appropriate for the fire investigator's responsibilities.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect January 1, 2027, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to conduct occurring on or after that date.



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**Frank D. Stephens Legislative Conference**

March 9 – 11, 2026

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**Past Success**

- 2018 – Behavioral Health Act (Employer Paid 10 visits per year)
- 2019 – Cancer Presumption Law (Barry Brady Act)  
Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, Colon, Skin, & Multiple Myeloma
- 2019 – Increase of Sate Pay from \$600 to \$800
- 2021 – Create Pandemic Disease Presumption
- 2022 – Prohibit Residency Requirements
- 2022 – Add Leukemia & Testicular Cancer to Cancer Presumption
- 2023 – Add more firefighter representation on State EMS Board
- 2023 – PTSD Presumption Law (James "Dustin" Samples Act)
- 2025 – Add Prostate, Pancreatic, & Breast Cancers to Cancer Presumption
- 2025 – Military Leave Bill (10 working days vs 10 business days)

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Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

## Priorities:

- ❖ Firefighter Assault Penalty Enhancement
- ❖ Makes assaulting a firefighter a felony instead of its current misdemeanor
- ❖ Senate Bill 1900 / House Bill 2428

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Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

**Protecting Tennessee's First Responders**  
SENATE BILL 1900

**Assaulting a first responder adds to burden on their community and puts a strain on law enforcement resources.**

Multiple and repeated incidents against first responders, including assault, sexual harassment, and verbal abuse, are common. These incidents can lead to physical and emotional injury, and can result in the loss of life. The Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association (TFFFA) has been successful in getting the legislature to pass Senate Bill 1900, which would make the assault on a first responder a felony offense. This bill would also provide for the prosecution of these offenses and the protection of first responders.

**Violence against first responders causes emergency services and local law enforcement to be overwhelmed.**

When a first responder is assaulted, it can lead to a delay in response and a loss of resources. This can result in a higher risk of injury or death for the public. The TFFFA has been successful in getting the legislature to pass Senate Bill 1900, which would make the assault on a first responder a felony offense. This bill would also provide for the prosecution of these offenses and the protection of first responders.

**Invest after 9/11 worker assaulted**

After 9/11, many first responders were assaulted. The TFFFA has been successful in getting the legislature to pass Senate Bill 1900, which would make the assault on a first responder a felony offense. This bill would also provide for the prosecution of these offenses and the protection of first responders.

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**Senate Sponsor – FF Assault Bill**

**Senator Paul Bailey (R)**  
Sparta, TN

**Chairman, Senate Commerce and Labor Committee**

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House Sponsor – FF Assault Bill

Representative Kip Capley (R)  
Summertown, TN (Serving Since 2023)

Member - House Finance Committee,  
House Health Committee, House Private  
Acts Committee

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**Priorities:**

**State Line of Duty Death Benefits**

- ❖ Moving the deadline to file for benefits from three years form date of death to three years form the death being ruled line of duty
- ❖ Senate Bill 2212 / House Bill 2477

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Senate Sponsor – LODD Benefits

Senator Brent Taylor (R)  
Memphis, TN

Vice Chairman, Senate Commerce &  
Labor Committee; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair,  
Transportation & Safety Committee;  
Member, Judiciary Committee

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**House Sponsor – LODD Benefits**  
**Representative Antonio Parkinson (D)**  
 Memphis, TN  
**Retired Lieutenant – Shelby County Fire**  
**Member, House Finance Committee**  
 (and six other committees)

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**Tennessee Senate**  
 33 Members  
 27 Republican  
 6 Democrat

**Tennessee House of Representatives**  
 99 Members  
 75 Republican  
 24 Democrat

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**Speaker of the Senate / Lieutenant Governor**  
**Senator Randy McNally**  
 Oak Ridge, TN  
**Elected to House in 1979**  
**Elected to Senate in 1987**  
**Elected Speaker in 2017**

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 Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

 **Senate Majority Leader**  
**Senator Jack Johnson**  
Franklin, TN  
Elected to Senate in 2007

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 Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

 **Speaker of the House**  
**Representative Cameron Sexton**  
Crossville, TN  
Elected to House in 2011  
Elected Speaker in 2019

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 Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

 **House Majority Leader**  
**Representative William Lamberth**  
Portland, TN  
Elected to House in 2013

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House Majority Whip  
 Representative Clark Boyd  
 Lebanon, TN  
 Elected to House in 2017

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**Watch:** 

**Fire Investigator Arrest Powers**  
 ❖ Requires a fire investigator to be POST certified to arrest someone for arson  
 ❖ SB 2005 / HB 1870

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Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

**Watch:**

**Retention of Background Checks for FFs**  
 ❖ SB 2336 / HB 2521

**Sprinkler Bill - Prohibits the State Fire Marshal from mandating sprinklers for up to six-family dwellings**  
 ❖ SB 2236 / HB 2551

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**Watch:**

Property Tax Increase of more than 2% requires referendum  
❖ SB 2002 / HB 2607

Priority Funding for County Fire Departments  
❖ SB 1651 / HB 2394

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**Watch:**

Free tuition for children of firefighters or police officers killed in the line of duty  
❖ SB 1608 / HB 1868

Adding arson investigators to cancer presumption  
❖ SB 1616 / HB 1489

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Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

**Tuesday**

❖ Legislative Appointments  
❖ Be at the Musicians Hall of Fame at 4:00pm

**Wednesday**

❖ 9:00am in this room  
❖ Breakfast will be served (Sponsored by FireCo)  
❖ Should be done by 11:00am

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Tennessee Professional Fire Fighters Association

Nudie's Honky Tonk  
409 Broadway  
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Sponsored by  
Siddons-Martin Emergency Group



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