PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD LOWER UTILITY RATES FOR FIRE COMPANIES & EMS SQUADS

For several years fire companies have sought relief from high utility rates.

Currently fire and EMS squads are charged the same rates as commercial customers placing a burden on these organizations. Legislation has been introduced to force utility companies to charge fire departments and EMS squads the same rate that they charge residential customers, which is much lower than the commercial rate. This would result in a significant savings in utility bills for these fire and EMS companies. It also prohibits the utility companies from recovering this lost revenue by raising rates on other customers.

The legislation currently proposed is Assembly bill A4636 and Senate bill S4636.

We would encourage all fire and EMS volunteers to please contact your state representatives and let them know you want this law passed.

ASSEMBLY:
Or go to The NYS Assembly and enter your zip code to locate your assemblyman.

SENATE:
Or go to The New York State Senate and enter your zip code to locate your state senator