## **CHAPTER 86**

S.B. No. 389

## AN ACT

relating to the transfer of firemen within the fire department in certain cities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 8, Chapter 325, Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947, as amended (Article 1269m, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Subsections (g) and (h) to read as follows:

- (g) The Fire Chief may transfer a fireman from one position to another position in the same classification in the department if the transfer is:
  - (1) a promotion or demotion of the fireman;
  - (2) required to balance the work force;
  - (3) for disciplinary reasons;
  - (4) based on the seniority of the fireman;
  - (5) a result of a mutual agreement between the Fire Chief and the fireman; or
  - (6) any other specified reason the Fire Chief deems necessary.
- (h) If the Fire Chief transfers a fireman under Subsection (g) of this section, the Fire Chief shall designate in a written statement the basis for the transfer.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 15, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. Passed the House on April 30, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Approved May 14, 1987.

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