## SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5511

State of Washington 60th Legislature 2007 Regular Session

**By** Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Sheldon, Kastama, Clements, Rasmussen and Shin)

READ FIRST TIME 02/27/07.

AN ACT Relating to requiring state agencies to allow volunteer firefighters to respond when called to duty; and adding a new section to chapter 41.06 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.06 RCW 6 to read as follows:

An agency must allow an employee who is a volunteer firefighter to respond, without pay, to a fire, natural disaster, or medical emergency when called to duty. The agency may choose to grant leave with pay.

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