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## Summary of Senate Bill 1429, P.N. 2152

Prime Sponsor: White

### **A. Synopsis**

Amends Title 35 (Health and Safety) to remove the five-year sunset provision in order for fire companies to receive the total amount of grants indefinitely for fire companies that consolidate.

### **B. Bill Summary**

Senate Bill 1429 sponsored by Senator White would repeal the five year sunset provision in current law. It then says that individual fire companies who consolidate shall be eligible to receive an individual grant that does not exceed the amount which the individual companies would have been eligible for if they had not consolidated. This would allow the consolidated company's access to the full grant money available indefinitely.

### **C. Current Law**

Currently, when fire companies consolidate they are eligible for the individual grant money for five years and after that they would be considered one company and could only receive between \$2,500 and \$15,000.