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47 of 1952. An Ordinance to provide for the establishment and control of an Auxiliary Fire Brigade, and for matters connected therewith.

[13TH DECEMBER, 1952.]

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Auxiliary Fire Brigade Ordinance.

Interpreta-

2. In this Ordinance—

- "the Superintendent" means the Superintendent of the Georgetown Fire Brigade and includes the Deputy Superintendent of the Georgetown Fire Brigade;
- "the Brigade" means the Georgetown Auxiliary Fire Brigade;
- "member of the Brigade" includes an officer, non-commissioned officer, and fireman.

3. There shall be established an Auxiliary Fire Brigade under Establishment of the the name, style, and title of the Georgetown Auxiliary Fire Georgetown Brigade, which may be called out for service by the Superintendent in any case where additional fire brigade assistance is dent in any case where additional fire brigade assistance is Brigade. considered by him to be required.

4. (1) Subject to the directions of the Governor, the Superin-Superintendent shall have the general command and superintendence of the Brigade.

- (2) The Brigade shall consist of such officers, non-commissioned officers and firemen as the Superintendent, with the approval of the Governor, may direct.
- 5. The Governor may appoint fit and proper persons to be Appointment officers of the Brigade.

6. The Superintendent may appoint fit and proper persons to be non-commissioned officers and firemen of the Brigade.

Appointment of non-commissioned officers and firemen.

Qualifications for appointment.

- 7. Every male person who—
 - (a) is not less than eighteen years;
 - (b) is able-bodied; and
 - (c) is of good character,

may, upon application in writing to the Superintendent, be appointed a fireman in the Brigade.

8. Every member of the Brigade shall be provided with such Equipment. clothing and other equipment as may be prescribed by regulations made under this Ordinance. The cost of such clothing and equipment shall be defrayed from such funds as may be provided by the Legislative Council.

9. The appointment of any member of the Brigade may be Revocation revoked at any time-

of appoint-

- (a) by the Governor, in the case of officers;
- (b) by the Superintendent in other cases.
- 10. Any member of the Brigade may, except when called out Resignation. for service under the provisions of section 3 of this Ordinance, resign from the Brigade, by giving to the Superintendent one month's notice in writing:

Provided that the Superintendent may in any fit case dispense with such notice.

Discipline and authority.

11. Every member of the Brigade when called out to service shall have, exercise and enjoy the same powers, authorities, advantages and immunities as a member of the Georgetown Fire Brigade, and be liable to the same duties and responsibilities.

Surrender of equipment.

12. Every member of the Brigade who resigns or ceases to be a member of the Brigade shall, within one week of such ceasing to be a member, hand to the Superintendent any clothing or equipment issued to him, or pay the value thereof.

Member of Brigade to remain within his district.

13. (1) No member of the Brigade shall leave or absent himself from the City of Georgetown or within three miles of the boundaries thereof without the permission of the Superintendent.

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(2) In this section, the City of Georgetown means the area described in subsection (1) of section 4 of the Georgetown Town Council Ordinance.

Leave.

14. The Superintendent may grant leave to any member of the Brigade.

Offences.

- 15. (1) Every member of the Brigade who—
- (a) when called out for service, neglects or refuses to serve, or neglects or refuses to obey any lawful command; or
- (b) contravenes the provisions of section 3 of this Ordinance, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty-four dollars.
 - (2) Every member of the Brigade who—
 - (a) improperly lends, sells, pledges or otherwise disposes or damages or spoils any equipment issued to him at public expense; or
- (b) fails without lawful excuse to return any equipment as required by the provisions of section 11 of this Ordinance, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding twenty-four dollars.
- (3) Every person who, during any period in which the Brigade is called for duty, impersonates or in any way pretends to be a member of the Brigade, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding forty-eight dollars.

Illness, bodily injury and death.

16. (1) Where any member of the Brigade through no fault of his own, contracts any illness, or sustains bodily injury while in the actual discharge of his duties as such, he shall be

provided with medicines, medical comforts and medical attendance at the public expense on the written authority of the Superintendent.

- (2) Where any member of the Brigade sustains bodily injury in the circumstances specified in the preceding subsection, and is permanently disabled (either totally or partially) as a result thereof, the Governor in Council may grant him a pension or gratuity, the amount of which shall be subject to the approval of the Legislative Council.
- (3) Where the aforesaid bodily injury results in death, the Governor in Council may award to the dependants (including any illegitimate children to whose support the deceased was contributing) a pension or gratuity, the amount of which shall be subject to the approval of the Legislative Council.
- (4) Members of the Brigade shall not be regarded as workmen for the purposes of the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance or Cap. 111. any amending Ordinance.
- 17. The Superintendent may, with the approval of the Regulations. Governor, make regulations—
 - (a) providing for the discipline and pay of the members of the Brigade; and
 - (b) generally for all the purposes of this Ordinance.