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Auditor General DePasquale Releases Audits for Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Associations in 10 Counties

HARRISBURG – Auditor General Eugene DePasquale today announced the release of audit reports for volunteer firefighters' relief associations in Beaver, Chester, Columbia, Crawford, Juniata, Lebanon, Mercer, Montgomery, Somerset and Tioga counties.

The Department of the Auditor General examines volunteer firefighters' relief associations, which receive state aid from a 2 percent state tax on fire insurance premiums purchased by Pennsylvania residents from out-of-state casualty insurance companies.

In 2015, \$65.94 million in state funds was required to be distributed through funding municipalities to 1,915 VFRA's to provide training, purchase equipment and insurance, and pay for death benefits for volunteer firefighters.

The full audit reports for VFRA's with findings are available online using the links provided below, others are available online at: www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports.

Beaver County

[Midland VFRA](#)

Received and expended state aid and accumulated relief funds in compliance with applicable state laws, contracts, bylaws and administrative procedures, except for two findings: duplicate payment and undocumented expenditure.

Chester County

[East Brandywine VFRA](#) – No findings

Columbia County

[Main Township VFRA](#)

Received and expended state aid and accumulated relief funds in compliance with applicable state laws, contracts, bylaws and administrative procedures, except for two findings: inadequate minutes of meetings and failure to conduct annual physical equipment inventories.

Crawford County

[Hayfield Central Hose Company No. 1 VFRA](#) – No findings

Juniata County

[Mifflin VFRA](#) – No findings

Lebanon County

[Cornwall VFRA](#)

Received and expended state aid and accumulated relief funds in compliance with applicable state laws, contracts, bylaws and administrative procedures, except for one finding: failure to maintain a complete and accurate equipment roster.

Mercer County

[West Middlesex VFRA](#) – No findings

Montgomery County

[Roslyn VFRA](#) – No findings

Somerset County

[Windber Fire Co. No. 1 VFRA](#) – No findings

Tioga County

[Chatham Township VFRA](#) – No findings

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