HB 374 -- Firefighter's Rule

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This bill changes the "firefighter's rule" by allowing firefighters, police officers, or emergency medical personnel who are injured in the line of duty to recover damages from the person whose act or omission caused the injury. The firefighter's rule provides that a firefighter brought in contact with an emergency situation who is injured in the line of duty may not recover against the person whose ordinary negligence created the emergency. See Gray v. Russell, 853 S.W.2d 928, 930 (Mo. banc 1993).