## HCS SB 739 -- FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Currently, upon approval of the board of aldermen, a fire department employee of the City of St. Louis is not required to live within the fire department's geographical boundaries if the only public school district in the area has been unaccredited or provisionally accredited in the last five years of the person's employment, and any fire department employee who lives outside the city limits must forfeit 1% of his or her salary to offset any lost revenue for the city unless the voters of the city vote to prevent the enforcement of the 1% forfeiture.

This bill removes the provisions regarding the salary forfeiture and the required approval of the board of alderman regarding residency and specifies that any employee who has worked seven years for a fire department cannot be required to comply with the residency requirement but must reside within a one-hour response time if the only school district in the area is or has been unaccredited or provisionally accredited in the last five years of the person's employment.