

Substitute Resolution No. 5

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Constitution & By-Laws

Re: Canadian Pre-Hospital Care Advocacy

1 WHEREAS, fire fighters across Canada are
2 increasing the role they play in delivering pre-
3 hospital care in the communities they serve; and

4 WHEREAS, every province has different
5 guidelines and licensing restrictions pursuant to each
6 respective jurisdiction which can be confusing and
7 cumbersome to navigate; and

8 WHEREAS, the IAFF is a renowned leader in
9 providing direction to affiliates across the United
10 States on Fire and EMS Operations; and

11 WHEREAS, while Canadian affiliates have taken
12 great strides in increasing their roles in providing
13 pre-hospital care, there is still much work to do; and

14 WHEREAS, there is a need to have
15 consultant/advocates provide testimony, assistance
16 and expertise to counter incorrect information about
17 Fire Fighters involved in pre-hospital care in the
18 continuing efforts of affiliates across the country; and

19 WHEREAS, these consultant/advocates must be
20 people who understand the Canadian medical system
21 as it varies from province to province and how it
22 relates to the role of Fire Fighters in providing pre-
23 hospital care; and

24 WHEREAS, the continued efforts of increasing
25 the role of Fire Fighters in providing pre-hospital
26 care necessitates retaining and paying the necessary
27 costs related to consultation, research and travel for

28 these consultant/advocates; therefore be it
29 RESOLVED, That funding assistance requests for
30 EMS advocacy, research and consultants,
31 by Canadian locals and affiliates be given full
32 consideration under existing IAFF funding policies
33 because of the important political nature of these
34 requests.

Submitted by: Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Cost Estimate: None

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt

CONVENTION ACTION: Adopted