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<b>2007 Assembly Bill 531</b>	<b>Assembly Substitute Amendment 1</b>
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*Current law* generally provides that an employer must pay an employee his or her wages by no later than 31 days after the date on which the wages are earned. Current law, however, permits a volunteer fire fighter or a volunteer emergency medical technician (EMT), by agreement with the entity employing the volunteer, to be paid semiannually or annually.

*Assembly Bill 531*, as introduced, would permit volunteer fire fighters and volunteer EMTs to be paid quarterly.

***Assembly Substitute Amendment 1:***

1. Refers to these individuals as *part-time* fire fighters and EMTs, rather than “volunteers,” to reflect that they are actually *paid* employees.
2. Provides that part-time fire fighters and EMTs who are employees of a volunteer fire department or emergency medical services program maintained by a county, city, village, or town, or of a private, nonprofit volunteer fire company, may by agreement with the entity employing the fire fighter or EMT, be paid *at regular intervals, but no less often than annually*.

**Legislative History**

In executive session on December 4, 2007, the Assembly Committee on Homeland Security and State Preparedness introduced and adopted Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 8; and Noes, 0.

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