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- Would have made political subdivision personnel rendering intrastate mutual assistance or aid under an agreement with another subdivision or the Ohio Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact employees of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for purposes of workers' compensation coverage (VETOED).

Personnel providing intrastate mutual assistance or aid (VETOED)

(R.C. 5502.29 and 5502.41)

The Governor vetoed a provision that, for purposes of the Workers' Compensation Law,[22] would have made political subdivision personnel rendering intrastate mutual assistance or aid outside their respective political subdivisions employees of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (OEMA), established within DPS, if such assistance or aid was rendered under either of the following:

- A mutual assistance or aid agreement with another political subdivision;
- The Ohio Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact.

Political subdivision personnel who suffer injury or death while rendering mutual assistance or aid in a different political subdivision pursuant to an agreement with the recipient subdivision or under the state compact are eligible for workers' compensation to the same extent as while serving in the political subdivisions in which the personnel ordinarily work. However, they remain employees or agents of their respective political subdivisions for all purposes, including workers' compensation coverage. But for the Governor's veto, they would have remained employees of their political subdivisions for all other employment-related benefits, except that compensation or benefits paid under the Workers' Compensation Law would have been charged to OEMA's workers' compensation policy.

[22] R.C. Chapters 4121, 4123, 4127, and 4131.