

Fire Department Relief Associations—Members—Relief.

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George P. Porter, Esq.,
State Auditor,
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My dear Mr. Porter:

You have requested my opinion on the following question:

“The Missoula Fire Department employed three university students at a salary of \$10.00 each per month who sleep in the fire station, and an auto mechanic who is not a civil service man, and who is appointed every two years and goes to all fires on the day shift. Would any of these men be entitled to relief from the funds of the Missoula Fire Department Relief Association?”

Under the provisions of chapter 58, laws of 1927, only members of the firemen's relief association are entitled to relief from the funds of the association and from the facts stated I assume that none of the employees mentioned are members of the association.

I express no opinion as to whether these parties are eligible for membership in the association as this would depend upon the qualifications for membership as set forth in the by-laws of the association.

Very truly yours,

L. A. FOOT,
Attorney General.