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- Payroll deduction for volunteer firefighter relief association dues. Allows employer payroll deductions for dues to volunteer firefighter relief associations and the Bloomington fire department relief association. In Minnesota, volunteer firefighters typically have pension coverage as part of their compensation package and that pension coverage is provided by the various local volunteer firefighter relief associations located in the state.
- Volunteer firefighter wages. Allows employers of volunteer firefighters and ambulance drivers or attendants to pay wages at intervals longer than 31 days, provided both the employee and employer agree. Currently, all Minnesota employers must pay employee wages at least once every 31 days.