

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Boudreaux to Reengrossed House Bill No. 467 by Representative Hilferty

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "and R.S. 40:1081.13," insert "1665(D), and 1665.2(H),"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 5 after "effectiveness;" insert "to provide relative to health insurance  
5 coverage for the surviving spouse and child of a law enforcement officer or fireman killed  
6 in the line of duty for a certain time period;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 3 between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

9 "Section 3. R.S. 40:1665(D) and 1665.2(H) are hereby enacted to read as follows:  
10 §1665. Financial security for surviving spouses and children of firemen in certain  
11 cases

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13 D.(1) The employer of a fireman who suffers death as a result of any injury  
14 arising out of and in the course of the performance of his official duties as a fireman,  
15 or arising out of any activity while on or off duty in his capacity as a fireman in the  
16 protection of life or property shall provide and pay for health insurance coverage for  
17 the fireman's surviving spouse for the remainder of the surviving spouse's life  
18 following the death of the fireman.

19 (2)(a) The employer of a fireman who suffers death as a result of any injury  
20 arising out of and in the course of the performance of his official duties as a fireman,  
21 or arising out of any activity while on or off duty in his capacity as a fireman in the  
22 protection of life or property shall provide and pay for health insurance coverage for  
23 the fireman's child, stepchild, or adopted child who is either:

24 (i) Under the age of eighteen.

25 (ii) Under the age of twenty-three and enrolled in and regularly attending a  
26 secondary school or is a full-time student at an accredited college or university.

27 (iii) Physically or mentally disabled.

28 (b) The employer shall provide and pay for the health insurance provided  
29 pursuant to this Paragraph following the death of the fireman until the child no  
30 longer meets the qualifications provided in this Paragraph.

31 (3) If health insurance coverage is offered by the employer to active  
32 members, the health insurance provided to a surviving spouse or child pursuant to  
33 this Subsection shall be equal in coverage to that offered to active members.

34 (4)(a) The surviving spouse shall have the option to decline the health  
35 insurance coverage provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

36 (b) The surviving parent or legal guardian of each child, stepchild, or  
37 adopted child of the deceased fireman shall have the option to decline the health  
38 insurance coverage provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection for the child.

39 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of  
40 this Subsection shall only apply to a parish with a population of not less than two  
41 hundred forty thousand persons and no more than two hundred fifty-five thousand  
42 persons based on the latest federal decennial census.

43 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of  
44 this Subsection shall be applied retroactively to January 1, 2017, for the payment of  
45 health insurance benefits for the surviving spouses and children of all firemen who  
46 suffered death as a result of any injury arising out of and in the course of the  
47 performance of their official duties as a fireman, or arising out of any activity while  
48 on or off duty in their capacity as a fireman in the protection of life or property.

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1 §1665.2. Financial security for surviving spouses and children of law enforcement  
2 officers in certain cases

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4 H.(1) The employer of a law enforcement officer who suffers death as a  
5 result of any injury arising out of and in the course of the performance of his official  
6 duties as a law enforcement officer, or arising out of any activity while on or off duty  
7 in his capacity as a law enforcement officer in the protection of life or property shall  
8 provide and pay for health insurance coverage for the law enforcement officer's  
9 surviving spouse for the remainder of the surviving spouse's life following the death  
10 of the law enforcement officer.

11 (2)(a) The employer of a law enforcement officer who suffers death as a  
12 result of any injury arising out of and in the course of the performance of his official  
13 duties as a law enforcement officer, or arising out of any activity while on or off duty  
14 in his capacity as a law enforcement officer in the protection of life or property shall  
15 provide and pay for health insurance coverage for the law enforcement officer's  
16 child, stepchild, or adopted child who is either:

17 (i) Under the age of eighteen.

18 (ii) Under the age of twenty-three and enrolled in and regularly attending a  
19 secondary school or is a full-time student at an accredited college or university.

20 (iii) Physically or mentally disabled.

21 (b) The employer shall provide and pay for the health insurance provided  
22 pursuant to this Paragraph following the death of the law enforcement officer until  
23 the child no longer meets the qualifications provided in this Paragraph.

24 (3) If health insurance coverage is offered by the employer to active  
25 members, the health insurance provided to a surviving spouse or child pursuant to  
26 this Subsection shall be equal in coverage to that offered to active members.

27 (4)(a) The surviving spouse shall have the option to decline the health  
28 insurance coverage provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

29 (b) The surviving parent or legal guardian of each child, stepchild, or  
30 adopted child of the deceased law enforcement officer shall have the option to  
31 decline the health insurance coverage provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection  
32 for the child.

33 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of  
34 this Subsection shall only apply to a parish with a population of not less than two  
35 hundred forty thousand persons and no more than two hundred fifty-five thousand  
36 persons based on the latest federal decennial census.

37 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of  
38 this Subsection shall be applied retroactively to January 1, 2017, for the payment of  
39 health insurance benefits for the surviving spouses and children of all law  
40 enforcement officers who suffered death as a result of any injury arising out of and  
41 in the course of the performance of their official duties as a law enforcement officer,  
42 or arising out of any activity while on or off duty in their capacity as a law  
43 enforcement officer in the protection of life or property."

44 AMENDMENT NO. 4

45 On page 3, line 18, change "Section 3. The provisions of this" to "Section 4. The provisions  
46 of Sections 1 and 2 of"

47 AMENDMENT NO. 5

48 On page 3, line 24, change "Section 4.(A) The provisions of Sections 1 through 3" to  
49 "Section 5.(A) The provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 4"

50 AMENDMENT NO. 6

51 On page 3, line 27, after "provisions of" insert "Section 3 and"