

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 608 (HB 12)

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Existing law provides for \$250,000 in survivor benefits to the surviving spouse or other legal survivor and \$50,000 to a dependent child or children of a law enforcement officer who dies in the course of the performance of his official duties.

Existing law also provides the same survivor benefits to the surviving spouse or other legal survivor and to a dependent child or children of a law enforcement officer who is a commissioned law enforcement officer and who is certified by the Council on Peace Standards and Training at the time of his death, if either of the following conditions occur:

- (1) The officer was traveling to or from a public safety emergency or was responding to a request for law enforcement assistance regarding the health, safety, or welfare of the public.
- (2) The officer was traveling to or from his residence and his authorized work area while using a law enforcement vehicle provided by his employing agency.

New law extends survivor benefits to the spouse or other legal survivor and any dependent child or children of a reserve or auxiliary law enforcement officer.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 40:1665.2(F))