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Present law, relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS), provides for definitions.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law defines "student" to mean a person who satisfies the following criteria:

(1) Is enrolled in an accredited high school, vocational-technical school, or a college or university.

(2) Is classified as full-time.

Proposed law defines the "surviving child" of a member to mean a child of the member by birth, adoption, or filiation who is also one of the following:

(1) An unmarried person under age 18.

(2) An unmarried student under age 23.

(3) A person with a mental disability or total physical disability who is dependent on a legal guardian for subsistence.

Present law provides the qualifications for payment of survivor benefits accrued by an active contributing member who dies before retirement.

Proposed law specifies that any payment of a survivor benefit to a child shall be in accordance with the definitions provided in proposed law.

Proposed law specifies that qualifying survivor's benefits are payable upon application therefor and become effective the day following the death of the member.

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(Amends R.S. 11:2213(22), 2220(B)(2), 2241.8, and 2242.8; adds R.S. 11:2213(23) and (24))