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<u>Present law</u> regarding workers' compensation, provides weekly death benefits to a surviving spouse who was actually living with the decedent at the time of injury or death or was dependent on the decedent for support.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the workers' compensation weekly death benefit payments continue until death or remarriage of the surviving spouse.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an exception for the surviving spouse of a law enforcement officer, who was killed in the line of duty, to allow workers' compensation weekly death benefits to continue after remarriage.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 23:1233)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Labor and Industrial</u> <u>Relations</u> to the <u>reengrossed</u> bill:

1. Require that the decedent who was employed as a law enforcement officer must have been killed in the line of duty for benefits to continue.