
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

AMENDMENT NO. 2

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

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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

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

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

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

(i) Under the age of eighteen.

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

(iii) Physically or mentally disabled.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(i) Under the age of eighteen.

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

(iii) Physically or mentally disabled.

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

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

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

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

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

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

AMENDMENT NO. 4

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

AMENDMENT NO. 5

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

AMENDMENT NO. 6

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