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HOUSE BILL NO. 803

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERTHELOT

FIRE PROTECT/FIREMEN: Authorizes the state fire marshal to promulgate rules and regulations regarding workers' compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 23:1036(M), relative to workers' compensation; to provide with respect to
3 coverage for volunteer firefighters; to provide rule making authority; and to provide
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 23:1036(M) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1036. Volunteer firefighters

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9 M. The state fire marshal is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations
10 in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., necessary
11 to administer the provisions of this Section.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that the state fire marshal may promulgate rules and regulations regarding workers' compensation with respect to volunteer firefighters.

Present law provides that the state fire marshal shall obtain workers' compensation insurance for volunteer firefighters.

Present law provides that volunteer firefighters are entitled to medical benefits under workers' compensation law.

Present law excludes members from coverage who were not carried on the membership list on the date of injury.

Present law requires the fire chief to attest by affidavit when injuries are sustained in the line of duty.

Present law provides definitions.

Present law provides for burial expenses in certain circumstances.

Present law excludes injuries sustained during a parade from benefit eligibility.

Proposed law allows the state fire marshal to promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to carry out the provisions of the volunteer firefighters workers' compensation law.

(Adds R.S. 23:1036(M))