
DIGEST

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HB 979 Reengrossed

2026 Regular Session

Wiley

Abstract: Increases from \$250,000 to \$404,000 the benefits paid by the state to survivors of qualifying firemen and law enforcement officers.

Present law establishes state-paid survivor benefits for firemen and law enforcement officers. Establishes qualifications for these payments.

Present law provides for payment of \$250,000 to a qualifying survivor if certain conditions are met. Proposed law increases this payment to \$404,000.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 40:1665(C)(1) and 1665.2(C)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Increase the benefits payment from \$350,000 to \$404,000.