

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 979

2026 Regular Session

Wiley

LAW ENFORCE/OFFICERS: Increases the benefit paid to survivors of law enforcement officers and firemen.

DIGEST

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 \$275,000.

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.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the reengrossed bill

1. Reduce the benefits payment from \$404,000 to \$275,000.