

New law provides for death benefits in the amount of \$250,000 and disability benefits in the amount of \$100,000 for a member of the La. National Guard when the death or disability occurs during a period of activation. Defines "period of activation" as any period after Sept. 11, 20, for which the governor of La. or the president of the U.S. orders the guardsman to active service pursuant to certain state and federal laws.

New law provides for the following exceptions:

- (1) The guardsman was not in the line of duty when injured or killed.
- (2) The guardsman was in training status, with some exceptions, when injured or killed.

New law provides procedures for the submission of benefit claims, determinations of eligibility, and payment of claims.

Prior law (R.S. 22:941(A)(5)) provided for death and disability benefits for activated guardsmen.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective upon signature of governor (July 5, 2011).

(Adds R.S. 29:26.1; Repeals R.S. 22:941(A)(5))