HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 128 by Representative Jones

LAW ENFORCEMENT: Provides for survivor benefits for tribal police officers and firemen

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Removes proposed addition of full-time correctional officers employed by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to the definition of law enforcement officer for purpose of <u>present law</u>.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> provides for payment of \$250,000 to the surviving spouse, child, or other beneficiary of a fireman or law enforcement officer who suffers death as a result of an injury arising out of and in the course of the performance of his official duties or arising out of any activity in his capacity as a fireman or officer in the protection of life and property. Specifies the firemen and law enforcement officers to whom <u>present law</u> is applicable. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law provides present law applies to paid or volunteer firemen of any federally or state recognized Indian tribe or tribal unit and to full-time tribal law enforcement officers employed by a federally or state recognized Indian tribe or tribal unit.</u>

(Amends R.S. 33:1981(B); Adds R.S. 33:2201(B)(21))