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Berthelot HB No. 803

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

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

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

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

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

Present law provides definitions.

<u>Present law</u> provides for burial expenses in certain circumstances.

<u>Present law</u> excludes injuries sustained during a parade from benefit eligibility.

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

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