
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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YUDICHAK, KITCHEN, RAFFERTY AND TARTAGLIONE, OCTOBER 14, 2014

REFERRED TO LABOR AND INDUSTRY, OCTOBER 14, 2014

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act providing for the payment of the salary,
3 medical and hospital expenses of members of the State Police
4 Force, of the enforcement officers and investigators employed
5 by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, and the parole
6 agents, enforcement officers and investigators of the
7 Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, Capitol Police
8 officers, correction employes employed by the Department of
9 Corrections whose principal duty is the care, custody and
10 control of inmates, psychiatric security aides employed by
11 the Department of Public Welfare and the Department of
12 Corrections whose principal duty is the care, custody, and
13 control of the criminally insane, drug enforcement agents of
14 the Office of Attorney General whose principal duty is the
15 enforcement of the drug laws of the Commonwealth, special
16 agents of the Office of Attorney General whose principal duty
17 is the enforcement of the criminal laws of the Commonwealth,
18 members of the Delaware River Port Authority Police and of
19 policemen, firemen and park guards by the Commonwealth of
20 Pennsylvania, the Delaware River Port Authority, counties,
21 cities, boroughs, towns and townships, and sheriffs and
22 deputy sheriffs who are injured or contract certain diseases
23 in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence
24 during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave
25 period," extending benefits to paramedics.

26 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
27 hereby enacts as follows:

28 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477,
29 No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability

1 Benefits Law, is amended by adding a subsection to read:

2 Section 1. * * *

3 (e) For the purposes of this section, the terms "fireman"
4 and "firemen" shall include:

5 (1) paramedics as defined in 35 Pa.C.S. § 8103 (relating to
6 definitions) who are employed by a fire department; and

7 (2) fire service paramedics who are employed by the fire
8 department of a city of the first class and are deemed fireman
9 under the act of June 24, 1968 (P.L.237, No.111), referred to as
10 the Policemen and Firemen Collective Bargaining Act.

11 Section 2. Section 2 of the act, amended July 7, 2006
12 (P.L.614, No.95), is amended to read:

13 Section 2. (a) No absence from duty of any such policeman,
14 sheriff, deputy sheriff or fireman by reason of any such injury
15 shall in any manner be included in any period of sick leave,
16 allowed such policeman, sheriff, deputy sheriff or fireman by
17 law or by regulation of the police, sheriff's or fire department
18 by which he is employed.

19 (b) For the purposes of this section, the term "fireman"
20 shall include:

21 (1) paramedics as defined in 35 Pa.C.S. § 8103 (relating to
22 definitions) who are employed by a fire department; and

23 (2) fire service paramedics who are employed by the fire
24 department of a city of the first class and are deemed fireman
25 under the act of June 24, 1968 (P.L.237, No.111), referred to as
26 the Policemen and Firemen Collective Bargaining Act.

27 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.