

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 724 Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY HALUSKA, BELFANTI, BIANCUCCI, CAPPELLI, EVERETT, FREEMAN, GEORGE, HENNESSEY, HUTCHINSON, KILLION, KOTIK, KULA, MAHONEY, MANN, R. MILLER, MYERS, NAILOR, PAYNE, REICHLEY, ROAE, SOLOBAY, PRESTON, MARKOSEK, YOUNGBLOOD, FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, GILLESPIE AND GIBBONS, MARCH 19, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, MARCH 19, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act providing for the payment of death
3 benefits to the surviving spouse or children or parents of
4 firefighters, ambulance service or rescue squad members, law
5 enforcement officers or National Guard members killed in the
6 performance of their duties," extending benefits to members
7 of certain hazardous material response teams.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424,
11 No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement
12 Personnel Death Benefits Act, amended October 6, 2005 (P.L.319,
13 No.59), is amended to read:

14 Section 2. "Firefighter, ambulance service or rescue squad
15 member or law enforcement officer" means a firefighter; a member
16 of a volunteer fire company; a member of an ambulance service or
17 rescue squad; a peace officer as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 501
18 (relating to definitions); a public servant concerned in
19 official detention as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 5121 (relating to

1 escape); an officer or employee of a State correctional
2 institution; guards or employees of county jails and prisons; a
3 member of a certified hazardous material response team that is
4 not-for-profit; or any other law enforcement officer of the
5 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of any political subdivision
6 thereof.

7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.