THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2228 Session of 2014

INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, SAINATO, DEASY, MATZIE, KORTZ, HARHAI, CALTAGIRONE, McGEEHAN, O'BRIEN, KINSEY, W. KELLER, MILLARD, YOUNGBLOOD, MCCARTER, KAUFFMAN, DONATUCCI, MOLCHANY, MCNEILL, THOMAS, MAHONEY, MULLERY, COHEN, DENLINGER, GROVE, MURT, D. COSTA, BRADFORD AND GILLEN, MAY 1, 2014

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, MAY 1, 2014

AN ACT

- Amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), entitled,
- as amended, "An act providing for the payment of death
- benefits to the surviving spouse or children or parents of firefighters, ambulance service or rescue squad members, law 3
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- enforcement officers or National Guard members who die as a 5
- result of the performance of their duties," further providing
- 7 for certification of death.
- The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8
- hereby enacts as follows:
- Section 1. Section 1(a) of the act of June 24, 1976 10
- (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law 11
- Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, amended October 9, 12
- 2009 (P.L.588, No.51), is amended to read: 13
- 14 Section 1. (a) In the event a law enforcement officer,
- 15 ambulance service or rescue squad member, firefighter, certified
- 16 hazardous material response team member or National Guard member
- dies as a result of the performance of his duties, such 17
- 18 political subdivision, Commonwealth agency or, in the case of

- 1 National Guard members, the Adjutant General, or, in the case of
- 2 a member of a Commonwealth law enforcement agency, the
- 3 authorized survivor or the agency head, within [90 days] three
- 4 <u>years</u> from the date of death, shall submit certification of such
- 5 death to the Commonwealth.
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- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.