

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2399 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY NELSON, RIGBY, HOHENSTEIN, SCHMITT, YOUNGBLOOD, HANBIDGE, SCHWEYER, ECKER, STEPHENS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, McNEILL, JONES, BERNSTINE, FARRY, THOMAS, WEBSTER, DONATUCCI, KORTZ, MACKENZIE, MARSHALL, MIHALEK, DeLUCA, WILLIAMS, COOK, O'MARA, T. DAVIS, ZABEL, HILL-EVANS, WHITE, MURT, NEILSON, BOYLE, CIRESI, MULLINS, DRISCOLL, KRUEGER, SONNEY, STAATS, QUINN, MASSER, GAYDOS, MUSTELLO, SAPPEY, POLINCHOCK, GLEIM, GREGORY, DAVANZO, METZGAR, HERSHEY, JOZWIAK, MARKOSEK, O'NEAL, SAYLOR, HEFFLEY, MALAGARI, READSHAW, FLYNN, WARREN AND GILLESPIE, APRIL 13, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, APRIL 13, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), entitled  
 2 "An act providing for the payment of the salary, medical and  
 3 hospital expenses of certain employes of State and local  
 4 government who are injured or contract certain diseases in  
 5 the performance of their duty; and providing that absence  
 6 during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave  
 7 period," further providing for disability benefits.

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

10 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477,  
 11 No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability  
 12 Benefits Law (Heart and Lung Act), is amended to read:

13 Section 1. \* \* \*

14 (a.1) A person covered under subsection (a) who contracts or  
 15 is diagnosed with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), as  
 16 identified in the proclamation of disaster emergency issued by

1 the Office of the Governor on March 6, 2020, or is subject to  
2 quarantine resulting from exposure to COVID-19, and by reason  
3 thereof is temporarily incapacitated from performing his duties,  
4 shall be compensated in accordance with subsection (a).

5 \* \* \*

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.