

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2627

Session of
2006

INTRODUCED BY FLICK AND MELIO, APRIL 25, 2006

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
MAY 3, 2006

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 6, 2005 (P.L.319, No.59), entitled,
2 "An act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101),
3 entitled, as amended, 'An act providing for the payment of
4 death benefits to the surviving spouse or children or parents
5 of firefighters, ambulance service or rescue squad members,
6 law enforcement officers or National Guard members killed in
7 the performance of their duties,' further providing for death
8 benefit eligibility and for definitions," further providing
9 for retroactivity of death benefit eligibility.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 4 of the act of October 6, 2005 (P.L.319,
13 No.59), entitled, "An act amending the act of June 24, 1976
14 (P.L.424, No.101), entitled, as amended, 'An act providing for
15 the payment of death benefits to the surviving spouse or
16 children or parents of firefighters, ambulance service or rescue
17 squad members, law enforcement officers or National Guard
18 members killed in the performance of their duties,'" is amended
19 to read:

20 Section 4. [The amendment or addition of section 1(a.1), (d) <—
21 and (e) of the act shall apply retroactively to include any

1 ~~{certificate} certification~~ of death of an eligible firefighter, <—
2 ambulance service or rescue squad member, law enforcement
3 officer or National Guard member who died as a result of the
4 performance of his or her duties ~~{filed} submitted to the~~ <—
5 ~~Commonwealth under section 1(a) of the act~~ on or after December
6 15, 2003.] THE AMENDMENT OR ADDITION OF SECTION 1(A.1), (D) AND <—
7 (E) OF THE ACT SHALL APPLY RETROACTIVELY TO INCLUDE ANY
8 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH OF AN ELIGIBLE FIREFIGHTER, AMBULANCE
9 SERVICE OR RESCUE SQUAD MEMBER, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR
10 NATIONAL GUARD MEMBER WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF THE PERFORMANCE OF
11 HIS OR HER DUTIES FILED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 15, 2003, OR WHERE
12 THE CLAIM FOR BENEFITS AS THE RESULT OF A DEATH ON OR AFTER
13 NOVEMBER 15, 2003, HAD NOT BEEN FINALLY ADJUDICATED ON DECEMBER
14 15, 2003.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.