

# HOUSE BILL NO. 4780

June 15, 2023, Introduced by Rep. Morgan and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1942 (1st Ex Sess) PA 9, entitled  
"An act providing for compensation to certain fire fighters injured in the safeguarding of life and property, and payment to the surviving spouse and dependents in case of death; and to make an appropriation therefor,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 419.203), as amended by 1983 PA 207.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 3. The surviving spouse and dependents of a ~~fire fighter~~  
2 **firefighter** who is killed in safeguarding life or property outside  
3 his or her jurisdiction from damage due to an explosion, fire, or

1 other disaster, however caused, or in transportation to or from a  
 2 fire, explosion, or other disaster, however caused, outside his or  
 3 her jurisdiction, shall receive the sum of \$500.00 for defraying  
 4 the expense of burial, and compensation equivalent to the amount  
 5 provided at the time of death of the ~~fire fighter~~ **firefighter** under  
 6 the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, ~~Act No. 317 of~~  
 7 ~~the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 418.101 to 418.941 of the~~  
 8 ~~Michigan Compiled Laws. 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 to 418.941.~~

9 Compensation ~~shall~~ **must** be payable to the spouse of the ~~fire~~  
 10 ~~fighter,~~ **firefighter**, if living, and until remarriage; the children  
 11 of the ~~fire fighter,~~ **firefighter**, while dependent; the ~~mother,~~  
 12 ~~father, or both,~~ **parent or parents** of the ~~fire fighter,~~  
 13 **firefighter**, while dependent; and the ~~brothers and sisters~~ **siblings**  
 14 of the ~~fire fighter,~~ **firefighter**, while dependent; in the order  
 15 named. If the ~~fire fighter~~ **firefighter** does not leave a surviving  
 16 spouse or any dependents as defined in this section, the estate of  
 17 the ~~fire fighter~~ **firefighter** shall receive the sum of \$500.00 for  
 18 the expense of the ~~fire fighter's~~ **firefighter's** burial.

19 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
 20 unless Senate Joint Resolution \_\_\_\_ or House Joint Resolution F  
 21 (request no. 00367'23) of the 102nd Legislature becomes a part of  
 22 the state constitution of 1963 as provided in section 1 of article  
 23 XII of the state constitution of 1963.