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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to eligible beneficiaries for a line of duty 2 death benefit under the statewide fire and police retirement 3 system and providing an effective date. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 5 TLSB 1903HH 83 6 ec/nh/8

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1 1 Section 1. Section 411.6, subsection 15, paragraph a, Code 1 2 2009, is amended to read as follows: 3 a. If, upon the receipt of evidence and proof from the 4 chief of the police or fire department that the death of a 1 1 5 member in service was the direct and proximate result of a 1 6 traumatic personal injury incurred in the line of duty, the 7 system decides that death was so caused, there shall be paid, 8 to a person authorized to receive an accidental death benefit 1 1 1 1 9 as provided in subsection 9, paragraph "b", the amount of one 1 10 hundred thousand dollars, which shall be payable in a lump 1 11 sum. However, for purposes of this subsection, a child who 12 longer meets the definition of child in section 411.1 shall be 1 13 eligible to receive a line of duty death benefit pursuant to 1 14 this subsection. Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of 1 15 1 16 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment. 1 17 EXPLANATION This bill modifies the eligible beneficiaries for the 1 18 1 19 \$100,000 line of duty death benefit for a person covered under 1 20 the statewide fire and police retirement system established in 1 21 Code chapter 411. Currently, a line of duty death benefit is 1 22 payable as provided for an accidental death benefit and goes 1 23 to the following in decreasing order: the member's spouse, 1 24 the member's minor children, or the member's parents. The 1 25 bill provides that a member's adult child or children are 1 26 eligible to receive a line of duty death benefit. 1 27 The bill takes effect upon enactment. 1 28 LSB 1903HH 83 1 29 ec/nh/8