

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Senator Dowd**

A Bill

ACT 809 OF 1993
SENATE BILL 31

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-705 TO PROVIDE THAT
9 THE SURVIVING SPOUSE, CHILDREN OR PARENT OF A FIREFIGHTER
10 KILLED WHILE IN ROUTE TO OR FROM A FIRE OR WHILE ACTIVELY
11 PARTICIPATING IN FIGHTING A FIRE SHALL RECEIVE SURVIVOR_S
12 BENEFITS UNDER THAT SECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-705 PERTAINING TO SURVIVOR
16 BENEFITS OF FIREFIGHTERS."

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of Arkansas Code 21-5-705 is amended to read
21 as follows:

22 "(a) The state shall pay to the surviving spouse, surviving children,
23 or surviving parents of any police officer, wildlife enforcement officer of
24 the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, commissioned law enforcement officer or
25 emergency response employee of the State Parks Division of the Department of
26 Parks and Tourism, or employee of the Department of Correction whose death
27 occurred in the official line of duty and was the result of a felonious
28 criminal action of another person or persons or whose death occurred in the
29 line of duty while the officer or employee was performing emergency medical
30 activities and to the surviving spouse, surviving children, or surviving
31 *parents of any firefighter killed while responding to, engaging in or*
32 *returning from fighting a fire, rescue or hazardous material or bomb incident,*
33 *emergency medical activity or simulated training therefor, the additional sum*
34 *of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), provided the death occurs after*
35 *July 1, 1987."*

36 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature

1 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
2 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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4 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
5 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
6 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
7 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
8 act are declared to be severable.

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10 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
11 hereby repealed.

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/s/ Senator Dowd

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