

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
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3 Regular Session, 2007  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1409

5 By: Representative Reep  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DEATH BENEFITS FOR  
10 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS UNDER CERTAIN  
11 CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS UNDER  
15 CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-5-705(a), pertaining to the payment of  
22 claims to survivors of certain public employees killed in the line of duty,  
23 is amended to read as follows:

24 (a) The state shall pay the additional sum of seventy-five thousand  
25 dollars (\$75,000) to the surviving spouse or surviving children under the age  
26 of twenty-two (22) of any:

27 (1) Police officer, wildlife enforcement officer of the Arkansas  
28 State Game and Fish Commission, commissioned law enforcement officer or  
29 emergency response employee of the State Parks Division of the Department of  
30 Parks and Tourism, Department of Community Correction employee, or employee  
31 of the Department of Correction whose death occurred:

32 (A) After January 1, 2003; and

33 (B) Either:

34 (i) In the official line of duty as the result of a  
35 criminal or negligent action of another person or persons or as the result of  
36 the engagement in exceptionally hazardous duty; or



1 (ii) In the line of duty while the officer or  
2 employee was performing emergency medical activities; ~~and~~

3 (2) Firefighter or employee of the Arkansas ~~State~~ Forestry  
4 Commission killed after July 1, 1987, while responding to, engaging in, or  
5 returning from a fire, a rescue incident, a hazardous material or bomb  
6 incident, an emergency medical activity, or simulated training thereof; and

7 (3) Emergency medical technician whose death occurred:

8 (A) After January 1, 2007; and

9 (B) Either:

10 (i) In the official line of duty while responding to  
11 a 911 call or other emergency call; or

12 (ii) While voluntarily responding to the scene of an  
13 emergency or accident in his or her private vehicle to stabilize a potential  
14 patient until an ambulance arrives.

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