

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 750

Short Title: Comm. Coll. Death Benefits.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Mills; and Albertson.

Referred to: Public Employees.

March 20, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DEPARTMENT
2 EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR DEATH BENEFITS WHILE ENGAGED IN
3 CERTAIN FIRE AND RESCUE ACTIVITIES.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 143-166.2(d) reads as rewritten:

7 "(d) The term 'law-enforcement officer,' 'officer,' or 'fireman' shall mean all law-
8 enforcement officers employed full time by the State of North Carolina or any county or
9 municipality thereof and all full-time custodial employees of the North Carolina
10 Department of Correction and all full-time institutional and detention employees of the
11 Division of Youth Services of the Department of Human Resources. The term 'firemen'
12 shall mean both 'eligible fireman'; or 'fireman' as defined in G.S. 118-23 and all full-
13 time, permanent part-time and temporary employees of the North Carolina Division of
14 Forest Resources, Department of Natural Resources and Community Development,
15 during the time they are actively engaged in fire-fighting activities; and shall mean all
16 full-time employees of the North Carolina Department of Insurance during the time they
17 are actively engaged in fire-fighting activities, during the time they are training fire
18 fighters or rescue squad workers, and during the time they are engaged in activities as
19 members of the State Emergency Response Team, when the Team has been ~~activated.~~
20 activated; and shall mean all full-time employees of the North Carolina Department of
21 Community Colleges during the time they are actively engaged in fire-fighting
22 activities, during the time they are training fire-fighters or rescue squad workers, and
23 during the time they are engaged in activities as members of the State Emergency
24 Response Team, when the Team has been activated. The term 'rescue squad worker'

1 shall mean a person who is dedicated to the purpose of alleviating human suffering and
2 assisting anyone who is in difficulty or who is injured or becomes suddenly ill by
3 providing the proper and efficient care or emergency medical services. In addition, this
4 person must belong to an organized rescue squad which is eligible for membership in
5 the North Carolina Association of Rescue Squads, Inc., and the person must have
6 attended a minimum of 36 hours of training and meetings in the last calendar year.
7 Each rescue squad belonging to the North Carolina Association of Rescue Squads, Inc.,
8 must file a roster of those members meeting the above requirements with the State
9 Auditor on or about January 1 of each year, and this roster must be certified to by the
10 secretary of said association. In addition, the term 'rescue squad worker' shall mean a
11 member of an ambulance service certified by the Department of Human Resources
12 pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter 130 of the General Statutes. The Department of
13 Human Resources shall furnish a list of ambulance service members to the State
14 Auditor on or about January 1 of each year. The term 'Civil Air Patrol members' shall
15 mean those senior members of the North Carolina Wing-Civil Air Patrol 18 years of age
16 or older and currently certified pursuant to G.S. 143B-491(a). The term 'fireman' shall
17 also mean county fire marshals when engaged in the performance of their county duties.
18 The term 'rescue squad worker' shall also mean county emergency services coordinators
19 when engaged in the performance of their county duties."

20 Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989, and applies to deaths
21 occurring on or after that date.