

General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 4915



Offered by:

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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5279**

File No. 231

Cal. No. 172

"AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORITY TO DECLARE THAT A FIREFIGHTER OR POLICE OFFICER DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY."

- 1 Change the effective date of sections 1 and 2 to "Effective October 1,
- 2 2024"
- 3 In line 34, strike "during which such firefighter was involved in
- 4 nonroutine or"
- 5 In line 35, strike "strenuous physical activity"
- 6 In line 38, strike "July" and insert in lieu thereof "October"
- 7 In line 52, strike "during which such officer"
- 8 In line 53, strike "was involved in nonroutine or strenuous physical
- 9 activity"
- In line 56, strike "July" and insert in lieu thereof "October"
- 11 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and

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12 internal references accordingly:

Sec. 501

"Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2024) If the death of any emergency medical service personnel, as defined in section 19a-175 of the general statutes, is caused by a cardiac event, stroke or pulmonary embolism that occurred not later than twenty-four hours after such personnel concluded a shift or training, the service chief, or other administrative head, of such personnel's department, service, company or emergency medical service organization, as defined in section 19a-175 of the general statutes, shall have the authority to determine whether such personnel died in the line of duty, unless a local charter or ordinance in effect on October 1, 2024, provides the authority to a different individual or entity to make such determination. Such declaration by a chief or administrative head shall not be used as evidence for a workers' compensation claim under chapter 568 of the general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

New section

October 1, 2024