

Presented to the governor April 17, 1992

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CHAPTER 523—H.F.No. 2250

An act relating to public safety officer's survivor benefits; altering a definition; providing a claim filing limitation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299A.41, subdivisions 3 and 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299A.41, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.** "Killed in the line of duty" does not include deaths from natural causes. In the case of a peace officer, "killed in the line of duty" includes the death of an officer caused by accidental means while the peace officer is acting in the course and scope of duties as a peace officer.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299A.41, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER.** "Public safety officer" includes:

(1) a peace officer defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c) or (f);

(2) a correction officer employed at a correctional facility and charged with maintaining the safety, security, discipline, and custody of inmates at the facility;

(3) a firefighter employed on a full-time basis by the state or by a fire department of a governmental subdivision of the state, who is engaged in the hazards of firefighting;

(4) a legally enrolled member of a volunteer fire department or member of an independent nonprofit firefighting corporation who is engaged in the hazards of firefighting;

(5) a good samaritan while complying with the request or direction of a public safety officer to assist the officer;

(6) a reserve police officer or a reserve deputy sheriff while acting under the supervision and authority of a political subdivision;

(7) a driver or attendant with a licensed basic or advanced life support transportation service who is engaged in providing emergency care; and

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(8) a first responder who is certified by the commissioner of health to perform basic emergency skills before the arrival of a licensed ambulance service and who is a member of an organized service recognized by a local political subdivision to respond to medical emergencies to provide initial medical care before the arrival of an ambulance.

Sec. 3. **[299A.47] CLAIMS LIMITATION.**

Claims for benefits from the public safety officer's death benefit account made by or on behalf of a survivor of a public safety officer must be filed within two years after the date of death of the officer.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

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CHAPTER 524—H.F.No. 2099

An act relating to insurance; automobile; prohibiting discrimination in automobile insurance policies; specifying rights of insureds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 72A.20, subdivision 23; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 72A.201, subdivision 6.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 72A.20, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. **DISCRIMINATION IN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE POLICIES.** (a) No insurer that offers an automobile insurance policy in this state shall:

(1) use the employment status of the applicant as an underwriting standard or guideline; or

(2) deny coverage to a policyholder for the same reason.

(b) No insurer that offers an automobile insurance policy in this state shall:

(1) use the applicant's status as a tenant, as the term is defined in section 566.18, subdivision 2, as an underwriting standard or guideline; or

(2) deny coverage to a policyholder for the same reason.

(c) No insurer that offers an automobile insurance policy in this state shall:

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