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HOUSE BILL NO. 1480

House Amendments in [] - February 11, 2008

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-1511.01, relating to allowances to injured deputy sheriffs.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Kilgore

Unanimous consent to introduce

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-1511.01 as follows:

§ 15.2-1511.01. Allowances to injured deputy sheriffs.

A. In addition to the allowances provided in § 15.2-1511, any deputy sheriff who suffers injury as defined in Title 65.2 and whose allowance as provided in § 15.2-1511 is less than 100 percent of his regular compensation shall be entitled to use any accrued vacation, compensatory, or sick leave to supplement the allowance so as to receive 100 percent of his regular compensation. In no case shall a deputy sheriff use such accrued leave so as to receive more than 100 percent of his regular compensation.

B. [The governing body of a locality shall continue to pay any employer's share of the cost of health insurance coverage, to the same extent as for other employees of the locality covered by the health insurance plan, for a participating deputy sheriff who suffers injury as defined in Title 65.2 and for his family and dependents, regardless of the length of time that the deputy sheriff receives compensation under Title 65.2. The governing body of a locality shall continue to pay the employer's share of the cost of health insurance to the same extent paid for other employees of the locality covered by the health insurance plan for a deputy sheriff who participates in the employer-provided health plan who suffers a compensable injury as defined under Title 65.2 so long as the deputy sheriff remains employed by the locality.]