

**Department of Planning and Budget
2013 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: SB896

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Reeves

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Workers' compensation; off-premises injuries incurred by public safety employees

5. Summary: As introduced, this bill would eliminates, with respect to off-premises injuries incurred by public safety employees, the condition for eligibility for workers' compensation benefits that the nature of an employee's employment exposed the employee to a particular risk of injury that is usually not faced by a member of the public. The measure would eliminate an employer's defense that such an injury was an act of God not covered by the Workers' Compensation Act because the risk of injury was no greater for the employee than for members of the public. The bill as amended makes some clarifications in regards to weather related events.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Human Resource Management indicates that the provisions of this bill should not create a fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Various agencies employing law enforcement personnel.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: N/A

Date: 1/30/13