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AN ACT INCLUDING CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL
IMPAIRMENTS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL
INJURY" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION STATUTES.
AMENDMENT

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The amendment makes definitional and procedural changes to workers compensation benefits related to post traumatic stress disorder diagnoses for state and municipal emergency response personnel. To the extent this decreases the potential number of individuals who qualify for such benefits, or the total benefits provided, there is a potential savings to the State or municipalities resulting from the amendment.

The amendment also requires that employers, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction services, provide certain resiliency and self care training to certain emergency response personnel. It is expected that the agency can provide this training to personnel at no additional cost.

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