



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 4897



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 In line 34, strike "during which such firefighter was involved in
2 nonroutine or"

3 In line 35, strike "strenuous physical activity"

4 In line 52, strike "during which such officer"

5 In line 53, strike "was involved in nonroutine or strenuous physical
6 activity"

7 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
8 internal references accordingly:

9 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) If the death of any emergency
10 medical service personnel, as defined in section 19a-175 of the general
11 statutes, is caused by a cardiac event, stroke or pulmonary embolism
12 that occurred not later than twenty-four hours after such personnel

13 concluded a shift or training, the service chief, or other administrative
14 head, of such personnel's department, service, company or emergency
15 medical service organization, as defined in section 19a-175 of the general
16 statutes, shall have the authority to determine whether such personnel
17 died in the line of duty, unless a local charter or ordinance in effect on
18 July 1, 2024, provides the authority to a different individual or entity to
19 make such determination. Such declaration by a chief or administrative
20 head shall not be used as evidence for a workers' compensation claim
21 under chapter 568 of the general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2024	New section