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LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIREMEN'S SURVIVOR BENEFIT REVIEW BOARD

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Transmitted via Email only: apa.h-jud@legis.la.gov

Honorable Representative Katrina Jackson, Chair House Judiciary Committee

Re:

Law Enforcement Officers' and Firemen's Survivor Benefits

Review Board Rulemaking: Survivor Benefits (LAC 37:I.1101) - Second Report

Dear Representative Jackson:

Pursuant to R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(b), the Law Enforcement Officers and Firemen's Survivor Benefit Review Board (Board) hereby announces its plan to proceed with rule-making by finalizing the April 20, 2017 Notice of Intent that was promulgated on page 832 of the Louisiana Register.

The Board, created pursuant to R.S. 40:1665.3, is proposing to repeal its current rule (LAC 37:1.1101) and promulgate the repealed rule as six new sections in Part XXXIII (Survivor Benefit Board) of Title 58 (Retirement) of the Louisiana Administrative Code. The newly promulgated sections will contain the information from the current rule and address subsequent legislative enactments concerning survivor benefit claims for law enforcement officers and firemen and to secure submission of documents required by law for such claims.

The Board has received no comments and, therefore, has not conducted a hearing pursuant to R.S. 49:953(A)(2). No amendments have been proposed to the language included in the published Notice of Intent.

Subject to legislative oversight by either the House Judiciary or Senate Judiciary C Committees, the Board intends to submit a Rule to the Office of the State Register for Publication in the July 2017 Louisiana Register.

Please contact me or Ms. Vickie Sweezy at (225) 326-6127, or by email SweezyVi@ag.louisiana.gov if the Board may be of any assistance to you concerning this Rule.

Respectfully,

Joe Picone

Chairman (Attorney General Designee)

Law Enforcement Officers and

Firemen's Survivor Benefit Review Board