Florida House of Representatives - 1997 By Representative Ogles

1 A bill to be entitled An act relating to disability retirement for 2 deputy sheriffs; providing that specified 3 disabilities suffered by deputy sheriffs are 4 presumed to have been incurred in the line of 5 6 duty; providing an effective date. 7 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 9 10 Section 1. Deputy sheriffs; retirement; disability in the line of duty. -- Any condition or impairment of health of 11 any deputy sheriff employed in the state which is caused by 12 13 tuberculosis, hypertension, heart disease, or hardening of the arteries and which results in total or partial disability or 14 15 death shall be presumed to be accidental and suffered in the line of duty unless the contrary is shown by competent 16 17 evidence. Any condition or impairment of health caused 18 directly or proximately by exposure, which exposure occurred 19 in the active performance of duty at some definite time or 20 place without willful negligence on the part of the deputy 21 sheriff and resulted in total or partial disability, shall be 22 presumed to be accidental and suffered in the line of duty, 23 provided that such deputy sheriff has successfully passed a physical examination upon entering such service, which 24 physical examination including electrocardiogram failed to 25 26 reveal any evidence of such condition. Such presumption does 27 not apply to benefits payable under or granted in a policy of 28 life insurance or disability insurance. This section applies 29 to all deputy sheriffs employed in the state with reference to 30 pension and retirement benefits under any retirement system of 31 which deputy sheriffs are members.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. SENATE SUMMARY Provides that health impairments suffered by deputy sheriffs which are caused by tuberculosis, hypertension, heart disease, or hardening of the arteries and which result in disability or death will be considered as occurring in the line of duty so long as the deputy sheriff had a physical examination that failed to disclose any such malady before entering service. б 

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