

By Senator Wright

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to fire investigators; amending s.
3 112.1816, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
4 "firefighter" to include full-time, Florida-certified
5 fire investigators for the purpose of expanding
6 eligibility for certain cancer treatment benefits to
7 include such investigators; providing a declaration of
8 important state interest; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
13 112.1816, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 112.1816 Firefighters; cancer diagnosis.—

15 (1) As used in this section, the term:

16 (c) "Firefighter" means an individual employed as a full-
17 time firefighter or full-time, Florida-certified fire
18 investigator within the fire department or public safety
19 department of an employer whose primary responsibilities are the
20 prevention and extinguishing of fires; the investigation of
21 fires and explosives; the protection of life and property; and
22 the enforcement of municipal, county, and state fire prevention
23 codes and laws pertaining to the prevention and control of
24 fires.

25 Section 2. The Legislature determines and declares that
26 this act fulfills an important state interest.

27 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.