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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
03/07/2023	.	
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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability
(Avila) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Respecting Their
Sacrifice Act."

Section 2. Section 110.1205, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

110.1205 Administrative leave for law enforcement
officers.—The head of a law enforcement agency may grant



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11 administrative leave not to exceed 8 hours, to a state employee
12 whose duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined
13 in s. 943.10(1), to attend the funeral service of a law
14 enforcement officer from the agency who was killed in the line
15 of duty. The head of the law enforcement agency may deny the use
16 of administrative leave under this section in order to maintain
17 minimum or adequate staffing levels.

18 Section 3. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (3) of
19 section 112.061, Florida Statutes, to read:

20 112.061 Per diem and travel expenses of public officers,
21 employees, and authorized persons; statewide travel management
22 system.—

23 (3) AUTHORITY TO INCUR TRAVEL EXPENSES.—

24 (i) The head of a law enforcement agency may authorize
25 travel expenses for a state employee whose duties are those of a
26 law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), to attend a
27 funeral service within the state of a law enforcement officer
28 who was killed in the line of duty.

29 Section 4. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section
30 112.19, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

31 112.19 Law enforcement, correctional, and correctional
32 probation officers; death benefits.—

33 (2)

34 (f) If a full-time law enforcement, correctional, or
35 correctional probation officer who is certified pursuant to
36 chapter 943 and employed by a state agency is killed in the line
37 of duty while the officer is engaged in the performance of law
38 enforcement duties or as a result of an assault against the
39 officer under riot conditions:



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40 1. The sum of \$10,000~~\$1,000~~ must be paid, as provided for
41 in paragraph (d), toward the funeral and burial expenses of such
42 officer. Such benefits are in addition to any other benefits to
43 which employee beneficiaries and dependents are entitled under
44 the Workers' Compensation Law or any other state or federal
45 statutes; and

46 2. The officer's employing agency may pay up to \$5,000
47 directly toward the venue expenses associated with the funeral
48 and burial services of such officer.

49 Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 287.17, Florida
50 Statutes, is amended to read:

51 287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and aircraft.—

52 (3)

53 (c) For motor vehicles used by a state employee whose
54 duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s.
55 943.10(1), the term "official state business" shall be construed
56 to permit the use of the vehicle to attend a funeral service
57 within the state of a law enforcement officer who was killed in
58 the line of duty if such use is at the direction of or with the
59 permission of the agency head.

60 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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62 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

63 And the title is amended as follows:

64 Delete everything before the enacting clause
65 and insert:

66 A bill to be entitled

67 An act relating to bereavement benefits for state
68 employees; providing a short title; creating s.



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69 110.1205, F.S.; authorizing a certain number of hours
70 of administrative leave be granted to certain members
71 of a law enforcement agency for a specified purpose;
72 authorizing the head of a law enforcement agency to
73 deny such administrative leave under certain
74 circumstances; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; authorizing
75 travel expenses for certain members of a law
76 enforcement agency for a specified purpose; amending
77 s. 112.19, F.S.; increasing the amount of money to be
78 paid toward the funeral and burial expenses of certain
79 officers killed in the line of duty; amending s.
80 287.17, F.S.; authorizing use of a state motor vehicle
81 to attend a funeral in the state of a law enforcement
82 officer killed in the line of duty; providing an
83 effective date.