

RESOLUTION
CAL FIRE LOCAL 2881 55th ANNUAL CONVENTION
SACRAMENTO, CA
JANUARY 13 - JANUARY 16, 2022

SUBJECT: PSOB

SUBMITTED BY: MMU Chapter

INTENT: PSOB Law Change under rule 34

FINANCIAL
IMPACT: Sunset Date: Continues Indefinitely: **X**

Estimated Annual Revenue: None

WHEREAS, (1) Our employees and other fire fighters across the United States are dying regularly, leaving their families with no way to provide for themselves; and

WHEREAS, (2) The federal government under PSOB limits the benefits to be awarded only to those who have died within 24 hours from time of occurrence; and

WHEREAS, (3) The amount of chemical our employees can be exposed to, such as Hydrofluoric Acid and many others, can cause cardiac arrest up to 72 hours after exposure; and

WHEREAS, (4) Our, Brother Steven Wilson, died from cardiac arrest at almost 48 hours after fighting a structure fire, April 6th, 2014. The coroner who completed his case stated his death, which was from cardiac arrest, was caused from stress from him fighting a fire. His widows case was denied at PSOB due to the 24 hour time frame; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, (A) **CAL FIRE Local 2881 work with IAFF to change** (PSOB) 34 USC Subtitle I, CHAPTER 101, SUBCHAPTER XI: PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS' DEATH BENEFITS From Title 34—CRIME CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT Subtitle I—Comprehensive Acts CHAPTER 101—JUSTICE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTACTION: SUBCHAPTER XI—PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS' DEATH BENEFITS Part A—Death Benefits: (k) *Death by heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture; presumption As determined by the Bureau, a heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture suffered by a public safety officer shall be presumed to constitute a personal injury within the meaning of subsection (a), sustained in the line of duty by the officer and directly and proximately resulting in death, if—(2) the heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture commences—(C) not later than 24 hours after the officer is engaged or participating as described in paragraph (1);*

To say- (C) not later than 72 hours after the officer is engaged or participating as described in paragraph (1)

ACTION:

To Executive Board of Directors _____ Adopt in Original Form _____

Adopt as Amended _____ Adopt as a Consolidation of Resolutions _____

Withdrawn by Author _____ Reject _____