CHAPTER 121 FORMERLY HOUSE BILL NO. 257 AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 18 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH BENEFITS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 6602(a)(1), Title 18 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 6602 Payment for beneficiaries; tuition payments; burial expenses

(a) Upon certification by the Insurance Commissioner that a claim under this chapter has been approved, the State Treasurer shall:

(1) For claims submitted prior to July 1, 1997, pay to the beneficiary or beneficiaries as designated or determined pursuant to § 6603(a) of this title of every covered person who dies in the line of duty an amount totalling \$100,000, payable in annual installments with the maximum amount payable in any 1 calendar year being \$20,000. For claims submitted on July 1, 1997, and thereafter, through June 30, 2017 pay to the beneficiaries as designated or determined pursuant to § 6603(a) of this title of every covered person who dies in the line of duty an amount totaling \$150,000, payable in annual installments with the maximum amount payable in any 1 calendar year being \$30,000. For claims submitted on July 1, 2017 and thereafter, pay to the beneficiary or beneficiaries as designated or determined pursuant to § 6603(a) of this title of July 1, 2017 and thereafter, pay to the beneficiary or beneficiaries as designated or determined pursuant to § 6603(a) of this title of every covered person who dies in the line of duty an amount totaling \$20,000. For claims submitted on July 1, 2017 and thereafter, pay to the beneficiary or beneficiaries as designated or determined pursuant to § 6603(a) of this title of every covered person who dies in the line of duty an amount totaling \$200,000, payable in annual installments with the maximum amount payable in any 1 calendar year being \$40,000. Installments shall terminate with the expiration of the beneficiary's eligibility;

Approved August 9, 2017