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S.B. No. 396

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the state fire marshal's investigation of the death of a
- 3 firefighter who dies in the line of duty or in connection with an
- 4 on-duty incident.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 417.0075, Government
- 7 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 (b) If a firefighter dies in the line of duty or if the
- 9 firefighter's death occurs in connection with an on-duty [a
- 10 fire-fighting incident in this state, the state fire marshal shall
- 11 investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of the
- 12 firefighter, including any [the cause and origin of the fire, the
- 13 condition of the structure, and the suppression operation, to
- 14 determine the] factors that may have contributed to the death of the
- 15 firefighter.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 20 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.