1-1 S.B. No. 396 By: Deuell (In the Senate - Filed January 21, 2011; February 2, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; March 7, 2011, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; March 7, 2011, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-6 1-7 AN ACT

relating to the state fire marshal's investigation of the death of a 1-8 firefighter who dies in the line of duty or in connection with an 1-9 1-10 1-11 on-duty incident.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 417.0075, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) If a firefighter dies in the line of duty or if the firefighter's death occurs in connection with an on-duty [a fire-fighting] incident in this state, the state fire marshal shall investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of the firefighter, including any [the cause and origin of the fire, the condition of the structure, and the suppression operation, to determine the] factors that may have contributed to the death of the firefighter.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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