PROPOSED AMENDMENT HB 1142 # 1

DIGEST

Indiana first responders. Changes the name of the medal to the Hoosier first responder medal of honor. Makes changes to the definitions. Provides that the department of homeland security (department) may determine an Indiana first responder is eligible for the Hoosier first responder medal of honor if the Indiana first responder distinguishes themselves conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of the Indiana first responder's life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an act of public service. Provides that, upon approval of a nomination by the department, the department shall notify the entity employing the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of the nomination. Provides that the entity shall notify a member of the general assembly who represents the district in which the entity is located of the Indiana first responder's nomination. Provides that the member of the general assembly shall recommend the Indiana first responder for the medal to the governor. Provides that, if the department determines that an Indiana first responder nominated to the department does not meet the eligibility requirements to receive the medal, the department may make recommendations to the entity that employs the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of other forms of recognition for the Indiana first responder.

| 1 | Page 1, line 4, delete "Self-Sacrifice" and insert "Honor". |
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| 2 | Page 1, line 5, delete "has the" and insert "means an Indiana first |
| 3 | responder designated under IC 10-10.5-2-1.". |
| 4 | Page 1, delete line 6. |
| 5 | Page 1, line 8, delete "self-sacrifice adopted by the department" and |
| 6 | insert "honor described in". |
| 7 | Page 1, line 9, delete "under". |
| 8 | Page 1, line 9, delete "4" and insert "3". |
| 9 | Page 1, delete lines 10 through 15, begin a new paragraph and |
| 10 | insert: |
| 11 | "Sec. 3. (a) The department may determine an Indiana first |
| 12 | responder is eligible for the Hoosier first responder medal of honor |
| 13 | if the Indiana first responder distinguishes themselves |
| 14 | conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of the |
| 15 | Indiana first responder's life above and beyond the call of duty |
| 16 | while engaged in an act of public service. The department may |
| 17 | adopt guidelines to make such a determination.". |
| 18 | Page 1, line 17, delete "6" and insert "5". |
| 19 | Page 2. line 1. delete "5." and insert "4.". |

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Page 2, line 1, delete "A public safety agency" and insert "An entity employing an Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers".

Page 2, delete lines 8 through 10, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) Upon approval of a nomination by the department, the department shall notify the entity employing the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of the nomination. The entity shall notify a member of the general assembly who represents the district in which the entity is located of the Indiana first responder's nomination. The member of the general assembly shall recommend the Indiana first responder for the medal to the governor."

Page 2, line 11, delete "6." and insert "5.".

Page 2, after line 13, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"Sec. 6. If the department determines that an Indiana first responder nominated to the department under section 4 of this chapter does not meet the eligibility requirements to receive the medal, the department may make recommendations to the entity that employs the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of other forms of recognition for the Indiana first responder."

(Reference is to HB 1142 as introduced.)

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