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SENATE BILL NO. 133

BY SENATOR CARTER

LOCAL AGENCIES. Provides relative to the development of cancer as a result of employment as a firefighter. (gov sig)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2011(A), relative to occupational diseases; to provide with
3	respect to the extension of a presumption beyond retirement for a firefighter that
4	develops cancer; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 33:2011(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§2011. Development of cancer during employment in fire service; occupational
8	disease
9	A. Because of exposure to heat, smoke, and fumes or carcinogenic,
10	poisonous, toxic, or chemical substances, when a firefighter in the classified service
11	who has completed ten or more years of service has developed cancer, the cancer
12	shall be classified as an occupational disease or infirmity connected with the duties
13	of a firefighter. The disease or infirmity shall be presumed to have been caused by
14	or to have resulted from the work performed. This presumption shall be rebuttable
15	by evidence meeting judicial standards, and shall be extended to a member following
16	termination of service for a period of three \underline{six} months for each full year of service
17	not to exceed sixty one hundred eighty months, commencing with the last actual

Page 1 of 2 Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions. 1 date of service.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

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<u>Present law</u> classifies certain types of cancer as occupational diseases or infirmities connected with the duties of a firefighter.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a presumption will be extended to a firefighter following termination of service for a period of three months for each full year of service not to exceed 60 months.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but extends the presumption to a period of six months for each full year of service not to exceed 180 months.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:2011(A))