

**PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS BENEFIT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 46 of 2004**

**28.634 Death or disability of public safety officer; benefit; amount; additional benefit.**

Sec. 4. (1) If a public safety officer dies or is permanently and totally disabled as the direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty, this state shall pay a benefit of \$25,000.00 for all claims paid before October 1, 2024, and \$50,000.00 for all claims paid on or after October 1, 2024, to 1 of the following:

(a) If the deceased public safety officer leaves a surviving spouse, to that surviving spouse.

(b) If the deceased public safety officer does not leave a surviving spouse, to the deceased public safety officer's dependents.

(c) If the public safety officer does not leave a surviving spouse or any surviving dependents, payment must be made to the estate of the deceased public safety officer.

(d) If the public safety officer is permanently and totally disabled, to the spouse, but if there is no spouse, to the dependents, and if there are no dependents, then to the entity providing care to the permanently and totally disabled public safety officer.

(2) The benefit must be paid in addition to any other benefit that the beneficiary receives due to the death of the public safety officer.

**History:** 2004, Act 46, Eff. Oct. 1, 2003;—Am. 2024, Act 128, Imd. Eff. Oct. 3, 2024.

**Compiler's note:** Enacting section 1 of Act 46 of 2004 provides:

"This act is retroactive and is effective October 1, 2003."

Enacting section 1 of Act 128 of 2024 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and applies to an application for benefit that is pending before the commission on or after October 1, 2024."