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## **SENATE BILL 48** **SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

Insurance for Dependents of Deceased Fire/Police  
Version J to Version U

### **Section 1**

*AS 39.60.010 – Peace Officer and Firefighter Survivors’ Fund.*

Changes the benefit paid by the fund from “medical insurance” to “major medical insurance” and replaces “police officer” with “peace officer”.

*AS 39.60.020 – Powers and duties of the commissioner.*

Changes the date at which the commissioner is required to determine the amount of money necessary to pay the benefit each year.

*AS 39.60.040 – Eligibility of surviving dependents of peace officers and firefighters for major medical insurance premiums.*

Establishes a presumption that the surviving dependent is eligible to receive the benefit within 30 days of the death. Additionally, requires the commissioner to determine continued eligibility.

Provides that the surviving spouse becomes permanently ineligible for the benefit if they have received the benefit for 10 years, becomes eligible for commensurate coverage through other means, or reaches the age of 65 – whichever comes first.

*AS 39.60.190 – Definitions.*

Includes eligible correctional, probation, and parole officers in the scope of the fund.

