

[[ Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs ]] Law Enforcement Officers and Sheriffs - Death Benefits

FOR the purpose of providing a benefit to the survivors of sheriffs and deputy sheriffs killed in the performance of their duties; providing that the benefit to Sheriffs, deputies, and to law enforcement officers shall be less the present value of a certain benefit provided by the State Retirement System; and clarifying the language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments  
Section 59A-1 (a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 59A-1(a) of Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments

59A-1.

(a) [[The sum of \$25,000 less any lump sum death benefit, exclusive of any return of contributions OR LESS THE PRESENT VALUE OF ANY BENEFIT PAYABLE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 73B, SECTION 11(11)(B) OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, payable by the State or any political subdivision shall be paid to the surviving spouse or children of any law-enforcement officer of the State or of any political subdivision of the State, INCLUDING ANY SHERIFF OR DEPUTY SHERIFF, who is killed in the performance of his duties. This sum shall be in addition to any workmen's compensation benefits.]] A DEATH BENEFIT SHALL BE PAID TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OR CHILDREN OF ANY LAW-ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE STATE OR OF ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, OR ANY SHERIFF OR DEPUTY SHERIFF, WHO IS KILLED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES. THE AMOUNT OF THE BENEFIT SHALL BE \$25,000, LESS:

(I) ANY LUMP SUM DEATH BENEFIT PAYABLE BY THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, EXCLUSIVE OF ANY RETURN OF CONTRIBUTIONS, OR,

(II) THE PRESENT VALUE OF ANY BENEFIT PAYABLE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 73B, SECTION 11 (11) B OF THE CODE.