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## **HOUSE BILL No. 4357**

February 22, 2005, Introduced by Rep. Rocca and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 2004 PA 438, entitled

by amending the title and sections 1 and 2 (MCL 435.351 and 435.352).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

2 An act to designate MAY 15 OF EACH YEAR AS Police Officers

Memorial Day in the state of Michigan; AND TO DESIGNATE SEPTEMBER

11 OF EACH YEAR AS FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL DAY IN THE STATE OF

MICHIGAN.

Sec. 1. (1) In recognition of the men and women who have lost their lives in the line of duty while serving as law enforcement officers in the state of Michigan, May 15 of each year shall be

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- 1 known as "Police Officers Memorial Day".
- 2 (2) IN RECOGNITION OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE LOST THEIR
- 3 LIVES WHILE SERVING AS FIREFIGHTERS IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,
- 4 SEPTEMBER 11 OF EACH YEAR SHALL BE KNOWN AS "FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL
- 5 DAY".
- 6 Sec. 2. On this day THESE DAYS, all flags at public
- 7 buildings shall be lowered to half staff in honor and appreciation
- 8 of fallen law enforcement officers AND FIREFIGHTERS. Each community
- 9 throughout the state is encouraged to conduct a memorial ceremony,
- 10 and the state's citizens are encouraged to pause and reflect on the
- 11 dedicated professionals who bravely chose to accept personal risk
- 12 and made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting and defending the
- 13 public.