

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 834

A bill to amend 2004 PA 46, entitled
"Public safety officers benefit act,"
by amending section 4 (MCL 28.634).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 4. (1) If a public safety officer dies or is permanently
2 and totally disabled as the direct and proximate result of a
3 personal injury sustained in the line of duty, ~~the~~**this** state shall
4 pay a benefit of ~~\$25,000.00~~**\$50,000.00 beginning October 1, 2024,**
5 to 1 of the following:

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

8 (b) If the deceased public safety officer does not leave a
9 surviving spouse, to ~~his or her~~**the deceased public safety**

1 **officer's** dependents.

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

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

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