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Legislation Text

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The purpose of this ordinance is to enact new Section 1909.12 in Chapter 1909 of the Columbus City Codes. This new section will pertain to the establishment of a volunteer peace officers' dependents fund board.

Senate Bill 11, passed on March 23, 2016, enacted the "Jason Gresko Act" to create the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund to provide death benefits to survivors of volunteer peace officers killed in the line of duty and disability benefits to disabled volunteer peace officers and to make survivors of gaming agents and Department of Taxation investigators eligible for benefits from the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund. The Bill also requires that each county, Municipal Corporation, township, township police district, and joint police district with a police or sheriff's department that employs volunteer peace officers is a member of the volunteer peace officers' dependents fund and shall establish a volunteer peace officers' dependents fund board.

This ordinance shall establish the fund board as well as outline the requirements for members of said board.

No funds are associated with this legislation.

To enact new Section 1909.12 of the Columbus City Codes to establish the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund Board.

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 11, passed on March 23, 2016, enacted the "Jason Gresko Act" to create the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund to provide death benefits to survivors of volunteer peace officers killed in the line of duty and disability benefits to disabled volunteer peace officers and to make survivors of gaming agents and Department of Taxation investigators eligible for benefits from the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Bill also requires that each county, Municipal Corporation, township, township police district, and joint police district with a police or sheriff's department that employs volunteer peace officers is a member of the volunteer peace officers' dependents fund and shall establish a volunteer peace officers' dependents fund board; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the City to enact new Section 1909.12 of Columbus City Code in order to establish and outline the makeup of the Volunteer Peace Officer's Dependents Fund Board; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the following new Section 1909.12 of the Columbus City Codes is hereby enacted,

1909.12 Establishment of Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund Board.

A. There is hereby established a volunteer peace officers' dependents fund board, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 143.02.

B. The board shall consist of the following board members:

(1) Two board members, elected by the legislative authority of the fund member that maintains the police or sheriff's

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department;

- (2) Two board members, elected by the volunteer peace officers of the police or sheriff's department;
- (3) One board member, elected by the board members elected pursuant to divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section. The board member must be an elector of the fund member in which the police or sheriff's department is located, but not a public employee, member of the legislative authority, or peace officer of that police or sheriff's department.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.