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2023 SESSION

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SENATE BILL 71-FN

AN ACT relative to workers' compensation for firefighter cancer disease.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18; Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13; Sen. Abbas, Dist

22; Rep. Proulx, Hills. 15; Rep. Goley, Hills. 21; Rep. Doucette, Rock. 25; Rep. Read,

Rock. 10

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows for workers' compensation for firefighter cancer disease of all types.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 206:1 Worker's Compensation; Firefighter and Heart, Lung, or Cancer Disease. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 281-A:17, II to read as follows:

 II. Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 281-A:2. XI and XIII. 16 and 27, there shall exist a
 - II. Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 281-A:2, XI and XIII, 16 and 27, there shall exist a prima facie presumption that cancer disease in a firefighter, whether a regular, call, volunteer, or retired member of a fire department, is occupationally caused. [In order to receive occupational cancer workers' compensation, the type of cancer involved must be a type which may be caused by exposure to heat, radiation, or a known carcinogen, as defined by the International Agency for Research on Cancer.] However:
- 9 206:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: August 04, 2023 Effective Date: August 04, 2023