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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1171

By: Representative Kerr

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES CONCERNING THE LOCAL  
POLICE AND FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE STATUTES CONCERNING THE  
LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF  
FUNDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

*SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-11-430 is amended to read as follows:*

*24-11-430. ~~Funeral expenses~~ Death benefit.*

*(a) ~~Whenever~~ When an active or retired police officer dies, the board of trustees shall ~~appropriate pay~~ pay from the fund a sum of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to pay the ~~funeral expenses~~ death benefits of the decedent to:*

*(1) The surviving spouse of the police officer;*

*(2) The police officer's estate if there is no surviving spouse;*

*or*

*(3)(A) A beneficiary chosen by the police officer if before death the police officer executed a beneficiary form.*

*(B) The board of trustees shall provide a beneficiary form to active and retired police officers.*

*(b) Each board of trustees shall adopt a policy establishing the amount to be paid for ~~funeral expenses pursuant to~~ death benefits under this section, and the amount shall be awarded uniformly to all eligible persons.*



*(c) The board of trustees may change the amount of ~~funeral expenses~~  
death benefits payable under this section, but in that instance the amount  
shall be uniformly distributed likewise.*

*/s/Kerr*

**APPROVED: 04/12/2013**