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1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to firefighter death benefits; amending s.  
 3           112.191, F.S.; revising provisions providing death  
 4           benefits for firefighters; expanding activities entitling  
 5           firefighters to death benefits to include participation in  
 6           training exercises; providing an effective date.

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 8   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10           Section 1. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (2) of  
 11           section 112.191, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

12           112.191 Firefighters; death benefits.--

13           (2)

14           (b) The sum of \$50,000, as adjusted pursuant to paragraph  
 15           (i), shall be paid as provided in this section if a firefighter  
 16           is accidentally killed as specified in paragraph (a) and the  
 17           accidental death occurs as a result of the firefighter's  
 18           response to what is reasonably believed to be an emergency  
 19           involving the protection of life or property or the  
 20           firefighter's participation in a training exercise. This sum  
 21           shall be in addition to any sum provided for in paragraph (a).  
 22           Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in no case shall the  
 23           amount payable under this subsection be less than the actual  
 24           amount stated therein.

25           (c) If a firefighter, while engaged in the performance of  
 26           his or her firefighter duties, is unlawfully and intentionally  
 27           killed, is injured and dies as a result of such injury, dies as  
 28           a result of a fire which has been determined to have been caused

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29 | by an act of arson, or subsequently dies as a result of injuries  
30 | sustained therefrom, the sum of \$150,000, as adjusted pursuant  
31 | to paragraph (i), shall be paid as provided in this section.  
32 | Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in no case shall the  
33 | amount payable under this subsection be less than the actual  
34 | amount stated therein.

35 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.