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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, when a peace officer,
9 firefighter, or a volunteer firefighter is killed
10 in the line of duty or dies as a result of an
11 injury received in the line of duty, his or her
12 surviving spouse is required to pay the full
13 premium cost in order to continue to have health
14 insurance coverage under the State Employees'
15 Health Insurance Board (SEHIB) plan.

16 This bill would allow the surviving spouse
17 or dependants to continue to be covered by the
18 SEHIB plan and the cost would be paid from the
19 State Treasury.

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21 A BILL
22 TO BE ENTITLED
23 AN ACT

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25 Providing a surviving spouse of a peace officer,
26 firefighter, or volunteer firefighter who is killed in the
27 line of duty or dies as a result of an injury received in the

1 line of duty to continue to be covered under the State
2 Employees' Health Insurance Board plan and the cost shall be
3 paid from the State Treasury.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

5 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any other laws to the
6 contrary, if a peace officer, firefighter, or volunteer
7 firefighter is killed in the line of duty or dies as a result
8 of an injury received in the line of duty, his or her
9 surviving spouse and dependant children shall continue to be
10 covered under the State Employees' Health Insurance Board
11 (SEHIB) plan and the cost shall be paid from the State
12 Treasury.

13 (b) The coverage shall cease for the spouse if he or
14 she remarries or obtains an alternate health insurance
15 provider. Coverage shall cease for any dependant when his or
16 her eligibility for coverage terminates.

17 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
18 first day of the third month following its passage and
19 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.