



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB5258

Introduced 1/31/2022, by Rep. Kathleen Willis

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 375/6.17 new

Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that for the surviving spouse and surviving dependent children of an eligible member employee who is injured in the course of employment and subsequently dies from such injuries sustained in the course of employment, the program of health benefits shall pay 100% of the expenses of such persons without the imposition of any deductible or copayment. Provides that the specified payment for health benefits shall continue for the surviving spouse until that person is remarried and shall continue for the surviving dependent children until such persons cease to be dependents. Provides that the provisions shall apply to specified surviving dependents as of January 1, 2022 and thereafter. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971
5 is amended by adding Section 6.17 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 375/6.17 new)

7 Sec. 6.17. Surviving dependent coverage.

8 (a) Notwithstanding any rule or provision of law to the
9 contrary, for the surviving spouse and surviving dependent
10 children of an eligible member employee who is injured in the
11 course of employment and subsequently dies from such injuries
12 sustained in the course of employment, the program of health
13 benefits shall pay 100% of the expenses of such persons
14 without the imposition of any deductible or copayment.

15 (b) The payment for health benefits as provided under
16 subsection (a) shall continue for the surviving spouse until
17 that person is remarried and shall continue for the surviving
18 dependent children until such persons cease to be dependents
19 as defined under this Act.

20 (c) The provisions of this Section shall apply to all
21 persons described under subsection (a) as of January 1, 2022
22 and thereafter.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.