

SB 5873 - S AMD 139

By Senators Kohl-Welles, Bailey, Conway

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1 On page 2, after line 15, insert

2 (c) A deceased member's spouse who was eligible to be provided a
3 survivor benefit under RCW 41.26.164(1) but the member did not select
4 a survivor benefit, and who prior to March 1, 2015, exhausted all
5 administrative remedies with the department for establishing
6 eligibility for a benefit under RCW 41.26.164, is eligible beginning
7 August 1, 2015, for a retirement allowance equal to two-thirds of the
8 gross monthly retirement allowance the retired member received at the
9 time of death.

10 EFFECT: Provides the surviving spouse of a LEOFF 1 retiree who died without selecting an actuarially reduced survivor benefit under RCW 41.26.164, a retirement allowance equal to 2/3rds of the retiree's allowance, beginning August 1, 2015. Applies only to surviving spouses who have exhausted all administrative remedies prior to March 1, 2015.

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