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## SENATE BILL 6371

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to death benefits for school employees; adding a
- 2 new section to chapter 41.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.35
- 3 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.40 RCW; and repealing 1999 c
- 4 309 s 718 (uncodified).
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 41.32 RCW
- 7 under the subchapter heading "provisions applicable to plan 1, plan 2,
- 8 and plan 3" to read as follows:
- 9 (1) A one hundred fifty thousand dollar death benefit shall be paid
- 10 to the member's estate, or such person or persons, trust, or
- 11 organization as the member shall have nominated by written designation
- 12 duly executed and filed with the department. If there be no such
- 13 designated person or persons still living at the time of the member's
- 14 death, such member's death benefit shall be paid to the member's
- 15 surviving spouse as if in fact such spouse had been nominated by
- 16 written designation, or if there be no such surviving spouse, then to
- 17 such member's legal representatives.
- 18 (2) The benefit under this section shall be paid only where death
- 19 occurs as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment.

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- 1 The determination of eligibility for the benefit shall be made
- 2 consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries.
- 3 The department of labor and industries shall notify the department of
- 4 retirement systems by order under RCW 51.52.050.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 41.35 RCW
- 6 under the subchapter heading "provisions applicable to plan 2 and plan
- 7 3" to read as follows:
- 8 (1) A one hundred fifty thousand dollar death benefit shall be paid
- 9 to the member's estate, or such person or persons, trust, or
- 10 organization as the member shall have nominated by written designation
- 11 duly executed and filed with the department. If there be no such
- 12 designated person or persons still living at the time of the member's
- 13 death, such member's death benefit shall be paid to the member's
- 14 surviving spouse as if in fact such spouse had been nominated by
- 15 written designation, or if there be no such surviving spouse, then to
- 16 such member's legal representatives.
- 17 (2) The benefit under this section shall be paid only where death
- 18 occurs as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment.
- 19 The determination of eligibility for the benefit shall be made
- 20 consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries.
- 21 The department of labor and industries shall notify the department of
- 22 retirement systems by order under RCW 51.52.050.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW
- 24 under the subchapter heading "provisions applicable to plan 1 and plan
- 25 2" to read as follows:
- 26 (1) A one hundred fifty thousand dollar death benefit shall be paid
- 27 to the member's estate if the member is an employee of a school
- 28 district or educational service district, or such person or persons,
- 29 trust, or organization as the member shall have nominated by written
- 30 designation duly executed and filed with the department. If there be
- 31 no such designated person or persons still living at the time of the
- 32 member's death, such member's death benefit shall be paid to the
- 33 member's surviving spouse as if in fact such spouse had been nominated
- 34 by written designation, or if there be no such surviving spouse, then
- 35 to such member's legal representatives.
- 36 (2) The benefit under this section shall be paid only where death
- 37 occurs as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment.

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- 1 The determination of eligibility for the benefit shall be made
- 2 consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries.
- 3 The department of labor and industries shall notify the department of
- 4 retirement systems by order under RCW 51.52.050.
- 5 (3) This section only applies to members who were employees of
- 6 school districts or educational service districts.
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. 1999 c 309 s 718 (uncodified) is repealed.

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