

ACT 290

H.B. NO. 1372

A Bill for an Act Relating to Police Departments.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 52D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§52D- **Off-duty police officers; benefits for personal injuries.** For the purposes of chapters 88 and 386, a police officer who is injured, disabled, or killed while actually engaged in the apprehension or attempted apprehension of law violators or suspected law violators, or in the preservation of peace, or in the protection of the rights or property of persons shall be deemed to have been injured, disabled, or killed while in the actual performance of duty, and the injury, disability, or death shall be deemed to have been caused by accident arising out of and in the course of the police officer’s employment, notwithstanding that the accident causing the injury, disability, or death occurred at a time, place, or time and place, not within the police officer’s regular tour of duty and notwithstanding that the police officer was not acting under the direction of the police officer’s superiors at the time and place of the accident; provided that the accident occurs within the jurisdiction wherein the police officer is commissioned and while the police officer is acting solely as a police officer.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 21, 1993.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.