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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6887**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 207**

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 17, 1998  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** 1977 Pension Fund survivor benefits.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that, for purposes of the 1977 Police Officers' and Firefighters' Fund provisions concerning line of duty benefits paid to a survivor, the term "line of duty" also includes any action that a fund member, in the member's capacity as a police officer or firefighter, performs: (1) in the course of controlling or reducing crime or enforcing the criminal law; or (2) while on the scene of an emergency run or on the way to or from the scene. (Current law requires that the member must have been obligated or authorized by rule, regulation, condition of employment or service, or law to perform the action.)

**Effective Date:** June 1, 1998 (retroactive).

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The provisions of the bill may increase the costs for the 1977 Police Officers and Firefighters Pension Fund, but the specific impact is indeterminable and will depend upon the number of Fund members who die under the expanded definition of "line of duty" death and whose survivors would otherwise would not be entitled to the benefit.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Cities and towns with members in the 1977 Police Officers and Firefighters Pension Fund.

**Information Sources:** Doug Todd of McCready & Keene, Inc., actuaries the 1977 Police Officers and Firefighters Pension Fund, 576-1508.