

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FIRE POLICE FAIRNESS ACT**

**OFFERED BY:  
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL  
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ARSON INVESTIGATORS**

Whereas fire police officers play an important role in many communities assuring crowd control and traffic safety at emergency scenes and widely attended events;

Whereas fire police officers killed in the line of duty while serving in accordance with State or local law as officially recognized or designated members of a legally organized public safety agency providing scene security or directing traffic in response to fire drills, fire calls, other fire, rescue or police emergencies or at planned special events are not eligible for the Public Safety Officers' Benefit (PSOB);

Whereas firefighters, law enforcement officers, chaplains or members of a rescue squad or ambulance crew killed in the line of duty while serving in accordance with State or local law as officially recognized or designated members of a legally organized public safety agency providing scene security or directing traffic in response to fire drills, fire calls, other fire, rescue or police emergencies or at planned special events are eligible for PSOB;

Therefore, the Congressional Fire Services Institute supports the Fire Police Fairness Act to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend public safety officers' death benefits to fire police officers.