

HOUSE BILL NO. 4822

May 11, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Mueller, Clements, Bezotte, Sabo, Yaroch and Tisdell and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 317, entitled
"Worker's disability compensation act of 1969,"
(MCL 418.101 to 418.941) by adding section 406.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 406. (1) For a first response employee, an injury or
2 illness resulting from the first response employee's contraction of
3 COVID-19 is a personal injury presumed to arise out of and in the

1 course of employment in the absence of evidence to the contrary if
2 the first response employee meets 1 or more of the following
3 criteria:

4 (a) Is quarantined at the direction of the employer due to
5 confirmed or suspected COVID-19 exposure.

6 (b) Receives a COVID-19 diagnosis from a physician.

7 (c) Receives a presumptive positive COVID-19 test.

8 (d) Receives a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

9 (2) As used in this section:

10 (a) "COVID-19" means the novel coronavirus identified as SARS-
11 CoV-2 or a virus mutating from SARS-CoV-2.

12 (b) "First response employee" means an individual who is any
13 of the following:

14 (i) A firefighter as that term is defined in section 1 of the
15 fire prevention code, 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.1.

16 (ii) A law enforcement officer as that term is defined in
17 section 2 of the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards
18 act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.602.

19 (iii) Emergency medical services personnel as that term is
20 defined in section 20904 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368,
21 MCL 333.20904.

22 (iv) A state correctional officer as that term is defined in
23 section 2 of the correctional officers' training act of 1982, 1982
24 PA 415, MCL 791.502.

25 (v) A local corrections officer as that term is defined in
26 section 2 of the local corrections officers training act, 2003 PA
27 125, MCL 791.532.