

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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Whereas, volunteer firefighters, emergency medical technicians working in a volunteer capacity for a volunteer fire department or ambulance company and volunteers working for a hazardous materials response team put themselves in harms way everyday to keep the residents of Indiana safe;

Whereas, in the process of protecting Indiana's citizens, these volunteers subject themselves to great physical risks and unfortunately injure themselves while carrying out their duties in these voluntary roles;

Whereas, volunteer firefighters, emergency medical technicians working in a voluntary capacity for a volunteer fire department or ambulance company and volunteers working for hazardous materials response teams are greatly appreciated and needed by the People of Indiana; and

Whereas, it is imperative that the People of Indiana take the steps necessary to provide adequate worker's



compensation coverage for those volunteers who are injured or give their lives the in line of duty: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes the
2 need to provide adequate worker's compensation to these valuable
3 volunteers of Indiana.

4 SECTION 2. The Legislative Council is urged to establish an
5 Interim Study Committee to evaluate the worker's compensation
6 coverage currently provided to these volunteers and to consider the
7 need to provide full worker's compensation benefits as set forth in IC
8 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 and the worker's occupational diseases law
9 as provided for under IC 22-3-7.

