

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6673
BILL NUMBER: HB 1190

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 21, 2025
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Line of Duty Disability from PFAS Exposure.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Novak
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides that a health condition that is caused by a PFAS chemical creates a presumption of disability in the line of duty with respect to firefighters under certain circumstances. It defines certain terms. It also makes conforming changes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS):* INPRS administers the 1977 Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension and Disability Fund ('77 Fund) and may have increased workload related to disability determinations and disability benefits for '77 Fund members. The administrative costs of the '77 Fund are paid from the fund.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *'77 Fund:* If the bill results in additional line-of-duty disability determinations, the bill would increase expenditures from the '77 Fund for disability benefit payments. Disability benefit payments are higher if the disability occurred in the line of duty. Any increased cost would be treated as an actuarial loss and amortized over 20 years.

Local Units: If additional disability determinations are presumed to be incurred in the line of duty under the bill, cities may experience increased costs for medical expenses.

Additional Information - The '77 Fund is funded through employee and employer contributions. Employees pay 6% of salary for the first 32 years of service. The employer contribution rate is 23.3% of covered payroll for calendar year 2026 and 26.5% of covered payroll for 2027. As of June 30, 2024, there were 1,035 disabled members of the '77 Fund who received \$37.4 M in annual benefits.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Public Retirement System.

Local Agencies Affected: Local police and fire departments with members in the '77 Fund.

Information Sources: INPRS. (2025, June 30). 1977 Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement Fund Actuarial Valuation.

<https://www.in.gov/inprs/files/actuarial-valuation-reports/2025ActuarialValuation1977Fund.pdf>

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