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1 AN ACT Relating to providing a death benefit for members of the
2 Washington public employees' retirement system; and adding a new
3 section to chapter 41.40 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW
6 under subchapter heading "provisions applicable to plan 1 and plan 2"
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) A one hundred fifty thousand dollar death benefit shall be paid
9 to the member's estate, or such person or persons, trust or
10 organization as the member has nominated by written designation duly
11 executed and filed with the department. If no such designated person
12 or persons are still living at the time of the member's death, the
13 member's death benefit shall be paid to the member's surviving spouse
14 as if in fact the spouse had been nominated by written designation, or
15 if there is no surviving spouse, then to the member's legal
16 representatives.

17 (2) The benefit under this section shall be paid only where death
18 occurs as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment.
19 The determination of eligibility for the benefit shall be made

1 consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries.
2 The department of labor and industries shall notify the department of
3 retirement systems by order under RCW 51.52.050.

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