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SENATE BILL 1082

Short Title: Health Benefits for Disabled Local LEO. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Berger of Rockingham.

Referred to: Commerce.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE HEALTH
3 INSURANCE BENEFITS TO THEIR DISABLED LAW ENFORCEMENT
4 OFFICERS IF THIS BENEFIT IS PROVIDED TO THE EMPLOYER'S OTHER
5 RETIREES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
8 new Article to read:

9 "Article 12I.

10 "Health Insurance Benefits for Local Law Enforcement Disability Retirees.

11 **"§ 143-166.90. Health insurance benefits for disabled local law enforcement**
12 **officers.**

13 (a) Any law enforcement officer, as defined by G.S. 143-166.50(a)(3), employed
14 by a county, city, town, or other political subdivision of the State, who becomes
15 disabled and entitled to a benefit in accordance with G.S. 128-27(c), shall be eligible for
16 health insurance benefits on the same basis as a person who retired from that employer
17 in accordance with G.S. 128-27(b21). The employer shall provide health insurance
18 benefits to a disabled law enforcement officer without regard to the number of years of
19 service credited to the officer."

20 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.