

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2271</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>5100</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal, possible increase in claims for state employee first responders</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB2271, as introduced, allows for police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and other emergency service employees to claim a mental injury or illness as a compensable injury without having to providing evidence that the mental injury was incurred through a physical, employment-related injury.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 2271 which adds mental illness or injury as a compensable injury could increase the number of claims for state employees who are first responders (highway patrol, OSBI agents). The exact impact is contingent upon how many claims are made.

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**Other Considerations**

This could also increase claims for municipal first responders as well as volunteer firefighters.