

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 333 replaces the managing entity CompSource Mutual Insurance Company as it relates to workers' compensation insurance for volunteer firefighters and replaces it with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services. Additionally, the measure provides that a mental injury or illness shall be a compensable injury for first responders. The measure provides that any first responders who is unable to perform his or her job or any alternative work offered by the employer according to the attending physician shall be entitled to receive compensation which is the greater of the weekly benefit provided for in a collective bargaining agreement or according to the policy of the employer or 70% of the injured employee's average weekly wage. Any first responder unable to return to work due to a mental injury shall be eligible to be awarded permanent disability benefits. First responders who suffer from PTSD shall be entitled to reasonable and necessary medical treatment provided by their employer. The employer shall not be responsible for medical treatment in the form of prescription medicine in excess of \$10,000.00. Additionally, any city or town that incurs a claim relating to post-traumatic stress disorder may transfer the payment of all or any portion of the claim or increased workers' compensation premiums to the judgment rolls of the geographic area or areas serviced by the department of the first responder.

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