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Introduced by M. of A. REYES, ABBATE, DINOWITZ, EPSTEIN, DeSTEFANO, JEAN-PIERRE, CRUZ, SIMON, DE LA ROSA, GOTTFRIED, COLTON, DARLING --Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. COOK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to claims for mental injury premised upon extraordinary work-related stress

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 10 of the workers' compensation law, as added by section 1 of subpart I of part NNN of chapter 59 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Where a [police officer or firefighter subject to section thirty of this article, or emergency medical technician, paramedic, or other person certified to provide medical care in emergencies, or emergency dispatcher | worker files a claim for mental injury premised upon 8 extraordinary work-related stress incurred [in a work-related emergency] <u>at work</u>, the board may not disallow the claim[τ] upon a factual finding 10 that the stress was not greater than that which usually occurs in the 11 normal work environment.

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12 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-13 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION -- Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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