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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

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 Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

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

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

12 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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