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Introduced by M. of A. REYES, DINOWITZ, EPSTEIN, DeSTEFANO, SIMON, JEAN-PIERRE, COLTON, DARLING, FORREST, CRUZ, BURGOS -- 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 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 extraordinary work-related stress incurred [~~in a work-related emergency~~] **at work**, the board may not disallow the claim[~~,~~] upon a factual finding that the stress was not greater than that which usually occurs in the normal work environment.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding 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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