

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6963, September 04, 1990]

AN ACT GRANTING SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS TO THE FAMILY OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY POLICE OR MILITARY PERSONNEL OR FIREMAN KILLED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY OR BY REASON OF HIS OFFICE OR POSITION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The family or beneficiary of any police or military personnel, including any fireman assisting in a police or military action, who is killed or becomes permanently incapacitated while in the performance of his duty or by reason of his office or position, provided he has not committed any crime or human rights violations by final judgment on such occasion, shall be entitled to the special financial assistance provided for in this Act in addition to whatever compensation, donation, insurance, gift, pension, grant, or any form of benefit which said deceased or permanently incapacitated person or his family may receive or be entitled to.

SEC. 2. The term "family" as used in this Act shall refer to the surviving legal spouse and his legitimate children, or parents, or brothers and sisters, or aunts and uncles, in that respective order: *Provided*, That, if the police or military personnel or fireman is a muslim, the pertinent provisions of the Code of Muslim Personal Laws (Shari'a) shall apply.

SEC. 3. The special financial assistance referred to in Section One hereof shall be that which is equivalent to the average six (6) months salary, including allowances and bonuses, during the last twelve (12) months preceding the death of the officer which shall not be considered a part of the estate of the deceased and which shall be exempt from attachment, garnishment or execution and from income and other taxes.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the cashier from whom the deceased or permanently incapacitated police or military personnel or fireman used to receive his salary, within three (3) days from receipt of a written certification from the station or unit commander of the fact of death and the circumstances thereof, to deliver to the beneficiaries such special financial assistance as stated in Section Three hereof. In case of permanent disability, a certification by the proper medical officer designated by the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines or the Director General of the Integrated National Police, as the case may be, is necessary for the payment of the aforesaid financial assistance. After said payment, a report with the formal certificate of death or permanent incapacity shall be submitted to the Secretary of National Defense or the Director General of the Integrated National Police.