

REFERENCE TITLE: firefighters; peace officers; PTSD; therapy

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## **SB 1677**

Introduced by  
Senators Gowan: Shamp

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 23, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 23-972; RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Title 23, chapter 6, article 4, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 23-972, to read:  
4 23-972. Coverage; firefighters; peace officers;  
5 post-traumatic stress disorder; definitions  
6 A. EMPLOYERS SHALL PROVIDE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO  
7 FIREFIGHTERS AND CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH  
8 POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER THAT INCLUDES A TREATMENT PROTOCOL OF  
9 METHYLENEDIOXYMETHAMPHETAMINE-ASSISTED THERAPY (MDMA-AT) AS PRESCRIBED BY  
10 A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.  
11 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:  
12 1. "CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICER" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN  
13 SECTION 38-842.  
14 2. "FIREFIGHTER" MEANS A PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTER WHO IS A MEMBER  
15 OF A CITY, TOWN, COUNTY OR FIRE DISTRICT FIRE DEPARTMENT.  
16 3. "HEALTH CARE PROVIDER" MEANS A PHYSICIAN WHO IS LICENSED  
17 PURSUANT TO TITLE 32, CHAPTER 13, 14 OR 17, A NURSE PRACTITIONER WHO IS  
18 LICENSED PURSUANT TO TITLE 32, CHAPTER 15 AND A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT WHO IS  
19 LICENSED PURSUANT TO TITLE 32, CHAPTER 25.  
20 Sec. 2. Conditional enactment; notice  
21 A. Section 23-972, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act,  
22 does not become effective unless on or before December 31, 2025 the United  
23 States Food and Drug Administration approves the use of  
24 methylenedioxymethamphetamine-assisted therapy (MDMA-AT) for the treatment  
25 of post-traumatic stress disorder.  
26 B. The department of health services shall notify the director of  
27 the Arizona legislative council in writing on or before February 2, 2026  
28 either:  
29 1. The date on which the condition was met.  
30 2. That the condition was not met.