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S.B. 11 creates the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund to provide death benefits to survivors of volunteer, part-time, and reserve police killed in the line of duty and disability benefits to such disabled officers and deputies. The provisions establishing the fund are the same that were in S.B. 288 of the 130th General Assembly.

Volunteer peace officers under the bill are those volunteer, part-time, and reserve police officers, sheriffs' deputies, constables, and deputy marshals who are not members of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), State Highway Patrol Retirement System (SHPRS), or the Cincinnati Retirement System (CRS). S.B. 11 specifies that it will have no impact on PERS, OP&F, or SHPRS (Section 5 of the bill).

Because the bill relates to those volunteer, part-time, and reserve peace officers who are not members of a public retirement system and specifies that it will have no impact on the state retirement systems, it will not require review by the Ohio Retirement Study Council.