

(a) (1) Any condition or impairment of health of any paid municipal, county, State, airport authority or fire control district, fire fighter or fire fighting instructor caused by lung diseases, heart diseases, ~~[-or-]~~ hypertension, ~~OR--CANCER--THAT IS--CAUSED-BY-CONTACT-WITH-TOXIC-SUBSTANCES-THAT-THE-FIRE-FIGHTER IS-LIKELY-TO-ENCOUNTER-IN-THE-LINE-OF-DUTY~~ and any condition or impairment of health of any paid State, municipal, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, county or airport authority police officer caused by heart diseases or hypertension resulting in total or partial disability or death shall be presumed to be compensable under this article and to have been suffered in the line of duty and as a result of his employment.

(2) ANY CONDITION OR IMPAIRMENT OF HEALTH OF ANY PAID MUNICIPAL, COUNTY, STATE, AIRPORT AUTHORITY, OR FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT, FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR THAT IS A RESULT OF THROAT, PROSTATE, RECTAL, OR PANCREATIC CANCER, OR LEUKEMIA, THAT IS CAUSED BY CONTACT WITH TOXIC SUBSTANCES THAT THE FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR HAS ENCOUNTERED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, IS PRESUMED TO BE COMPENSABLE UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND TO HAVE BEEN SUFFERED IN THE LINE OF DUTY AS A RESULT OF EMPLOYMENT AS A FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR, IF THE FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR:

(I) HAS COMPLETED 5 OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE AS A FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR OR A COMBINATION OF THESE DUTIES IN THE DEPARTMENT WHERE THAT PERSON IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED; AND

(II) IS UNABLE TO PERFORM THE NORMAL DUTIES OF A FIRE FIGHTER OR FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTOR IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE OF THE CANCER DISABILITY.

(b) Any paid fire fighter or fire fighting instructor whose compensable claim results from a condition or impairment of health caused by lung diseases, heart diseases, [or] hypertension, OR CANCER, AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION, THROAT, PROSTATE, RECTAL, OR PANCREATIC CANCER OR LEUKEMIA CAUSED BY CONTACT WITH TOXIC SUBSTANCES, and any paid police officer whose compensable claim results from a condition or impairment of health caused by heart diseases or hypertension and has been suffered in the line of duty shall receive such benefits as are provided for in this article in addition to such benefits as he may be entitled to under the retirement system in which said fire fighter or police officer was a participant at the time of his claim. The benefits received under this article however, shall be adjusted so that the total of all weekly benefits shall not exceed one hundred percent of the weekly salary which was paid to said fire fighter or police officer.

(c) (1) Any volunteer fireman or fire fighting instructor or rescue squad member referred to in § 21(b)(4) of this article whose compensable claim results from a condition or impairment of health caused by lung diseases, heart diseases, [or]