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AMENDED - AGENDA

March 16, 2012

LWC-Auditorium

9:30a.m. – 12:00p.m. – Discussion of 2012 Legislation

2012 OWCA Legislation

- HB 498 – Dixon – Enacts LRS 23:1291.2 to require WC insurers and self-insured employers to make their workers' compensation insurance employee records and databases available to the OWCA for purposes of identifying violations of the Act; amends LRS: 23:1293, concerning confidentiality of records, to accommodate the new §1291.2.
- HB 931 – Bishop – Amends LRS 23:1306, to require insurers/WC administrators to submit employer reported data to the OWCA electronically.
- SB 367 – Riser – Amends LRS 23:1142 to include UR companies under the definition of payor; amends RS 23:1203E to require the payor to provide the employee with information for appealing the denial of medical treatment as provided in RS 23:1203.1.
- SB 278 – Kostelka – Enact LRS 23:1174.2, to exempt the OWC from paying certain court costs and fees.
- HB 207 – Broadwater – Enact LRS 23:1174.2 to exempt the OWCA from furnishing certain court costs in advance.

2012 Legislation

- HB 126 – Dixon - Enact LRS 23:1294(C), to limit the liability of the W.C. Advisory Council members.
- HB 298 – Broadwater – Amend and reenact LRS 23:1127(C)(3) to allow for written summaries in health care to be emailed.
- HB 737 – Broadwater – Amend and reenact LRS 23:1231(B)(2), 1251(2) and 1253 and enact LRS 23:1231(B)(3), to provide for death benefits to the children of a deceased employee.
- SB 229 – Crowe – Amend and reenact LRS 23:1203.1(J) to change the time period for filing an appeal from 15 to 30 days.
- HB 733 – Lorusso – Enact LRS 23:1169.1 to require that certain employers file a verification of compliance securing employees compensation with the secretary of state.
- **SB 520** – Broome – to provide for death benefit awards to dependent children of deceased employee.
- **SB 386** – Ward – Provides for payment of medical benefits within 30 days rather than 60 days contingent upon medical providers' adoption and utilization of electronic billing rules and regulations.

*Other Business

*Public Comment

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