

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 15, 2010
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting
Comments by the chairman
- 9:10 a.m. Committee review of bill drafts
Comments by representatives of Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI) regarding the bill drafts
Comments by interested persons regarding the bill drafts
- Decreased frequency of performance evaluations of WSI;
 - Length of disability to qualify for workers' compensation additional benefit payable;
 - Creation of workers' compensation vocational rehabilitation grants;
 - Revision of the workers' compensation retirement presumption for employees injured as they near the presumed retirement age;
 - Repeal of the workers' compensation aggravation law;
 - Use of the sixth edition of the American Medical Association's *Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment* in determining workers' compensation permanent impairment awards;
 - Revision of the workers' compensation permanent impairment multiplier formula;
 - Access to workers' compensation managed care program final reports regarding treatment patterns, medication prescription, cost, and medical outcomes;
 - Workers' compensation coverage of generic medications; and
 - Coverage parameters for workers' compensation coverage of pain medications
- 12:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Dan Ruby (Chairman), Bill Amerman, Francis J. Wald
Senators Richard Marcellais, Terry M. Wanzek, Rich Wardner

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