

An Act relating to workers' compensation; amending 85 O.S. 1991, Section 1.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 349, O.S.L. 1993, 3.4, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 349, O.S.L. 1993, Section 4, Chapter 361, O.S.L. 1997, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 420, O.S.L. 1999 14, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 248, O.S.L. 2000 and 80 (85 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 1.2, 3.4, 3.10 and 14), which relate to contempt powers, prehearing and settlement conferences, mediation and case management; providing Court with authority and procedure to punish direct contempt; authorizing Court to order certain proceedings and providing procedures therefore; authorizing Court to order medical case management and providing procedures therefore; allowing judges of the Workers' Compensation Court to order mediation and providing procedures therefor; clarifying references; providing penalty for failure to comply with a Court order to mediation; and providing an effective date.