

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 48th Legislature (2002)

SENATE BILL 1589

By: Henry

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to workers' compensation; amending 85 O.S. 2001, Section 6, which relates to damages; updating reference; making language gender neutral; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 85 O.S. 2001, Section 6, is amended to read as follows:

Section 6. Except as provided in ~~Section 29 of this act~~ Section 110 of this title, a person, firm, partnership or corporation who violates any provision of Section 5 of this title shall be liable for reasonable damages, actual and punitive if applicable, suffered by an employee as a result of the violation. An employee discharged in violation of the Workers' Compensation Act shall be entitled to be reinstated to ~~his~~ the employee's former position. Exemplary or punitive damage awards made pursuant to this section shall not exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00). The burden of proof shall be upon the employee.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2002.

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