

An Act relating to workers' compensation; amending 40 O.S. 2001, Section 554, which relates to drug testing by employers; modifying circumstances under which certain testing may occur; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Section 18m-2, which relates to workers' compensation fraud; authorizing certain civil suit under certain circumstances; amending 85 O.S. 2001, Sections 3, as amended by Section 60, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2003, 3.5, 14, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 2002, 14.2, 14.3, 17, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 2002, 22, 26 and 30 (85 O.S. Supp. 2003, Sections 3, 14 and 17), which relate to definitions, places hearings to be held, medical attention, certified workplace medical plans, determination of disability, schedule of compensation, notice forms, and costs; adding definition; requiring Workers' Compensation Court to elect hearing site under certain circumstances; limiting hearing sites; requiring specified schools to provide quarters and technology for certain hearings; requiring certain persons to appear by video conference; stating exception for appearance at certain location; requiring mediation of claims; specifying time period for mediation; stating exception; modifying process for selecting certain physicians; authorizing change of physician; requiring certain process for change of physician; eliminating certain certified workplace medical plan enrollment option; conforming language; requiring use of generic drugs under certain circumstances; requiring CompSource Oklahoma to contract with certain entity; requiring certain employers to participate in certain plan; requiring Court to give deference to certain testimony for specific purpose; authorizing certain second opinion under certain circumstance; requiring certain evidence for award of specific benefit; stating exception; authorizing Court to order independent medical examiner to make certain determination; requiring certain agreement for specified person to perform surgery; authorizing certain lump sum payment; specifying payment period for certain award; requiring certain evidence for award of specified benefit; repealing 85 O.S. 2001, Section 3.10, which relates to voluntary mediation; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.