

An Act relating to workers' compensation; amending 85 O.S. 2001, Sections 16 and 44, which relate to rehabilitation and job placement services and claims against third persons; making language gender neutral; modifying certain benefit entitlement; eliminating certain attorney fee award prohibition; adding certain remedies for specific action; authorizing certain settlement without certain approval; requiring certain notice within certain time period; authorizing certain intervention; limiting specific entities participation in lawsuit; authorizing recoupment of particular money under certain circumstances; limiting jurisdiction; requiring payment of certain expenses by specified entities; prohibiting right of subrogation by certain entities; and providing an effective date.