BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The conference committee substitute for HB 2375 modifies administration components of the permanent partial disability benefits structure. The measure modifies certain judicial procedures for employer noncompliance and adjusts various compensation rates for injuries occurring on after the date of the adjustment. The Attorney General is authorized to investigate violations of workers' compensation laws and perform unannounced on-site inspections.

The measure also details beneficiary priority among surviving relatives and requires claims for travel reimbursement to be made within one year of the travel with reimbursement being issued within 60 days of the receipt of request.

The measure further outlines the process in which an employer or employee may request the services of an independent medical examiner to draw conclusions before the Commission and mandates the appropriate compensation to be paid to the employee based on the medical examiner's findings.

The Workers' Compensation Commission is additionally authorized to review any compensation judgment, award, or decision at any time upon filing of an application for a finding of a change of condition for the better.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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