
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that, when it enacted Act
2 11, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, the implementation of
3 that Act had the unintended consequence of prolonging certain
4 actions required to be performed. For example, with the
5 adoption of the department of labor and industrial relations'
6 definition of the terms "day" or "days" under section 1 of Act
7 11, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, the law now defines
8 these terms to mean working days, as opposed to calendar days.
9 For injured workers waiting for payment of a claim or a decision
10 on a contested claim, the change from calendar days to business
11 days often unnecessarily prolongs the workers' compensation
12 process, and, in some cases, requires the injured employee to
13 wait longer prior to receiving treatment for a work-related
14 injury.

15 The purpose of this Act is to repeal the definition of the
16 terms "day" or "days" in the State's workers' compensation law.

17 SECTION 2. Section 386-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18 amended by repealing the definition of "day" or "days".



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Report Title:

Workers' Compensation; Definition; "Day" or "Days"

Description:

Repeals the definition of "day" or "days" under the State's workers' compensation law. (SD1)

