

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0245-01
Bill No.: HB 123
Subject: Labor and Management; Employees-Employers; Disabilities; Workers
Compensation
Type: Original
Date: January 22, 2019

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to permanent total disability benefits.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Revenue	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any Of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Administration** assume 287.200.4(5) limiting recovery to dependent children could lead to cost savings for the state in mesothelioma cases wherein the employee dies before the additional benefits are paid. The amount of such savings, if any, cannot be estimated as it would depend on the facts and circumstances of each particular case.

Oversight assumes that limiting payouts to dependent children will result in cost savings. Oversight is unable to determine, if any, how many benefit cases this will affect. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 or unknown savings.

Officials from the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Oversight notes that the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations has stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Savings</u> - OA	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown	\$0 or Unknown
Total Disability Benefits			
<u>Total Savings</u>	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>	<u>\$0 or Unknown</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill amends the workers' compensation law to clarify that only a deceased employee's spouse and dependent children may receive certain benefits related to occupational disease.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
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