

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 1244

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Providing for payments for time lost from work while attending a medical examination for industrial insurance.

Representatives Franklin, Heavey, King, G. Cole, Springer, Jones and Veloria.

House Committee on Commerce & Labor
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce

Background: An injured worker making a claim under the industrial insurance system must submit to a medical examination when the examination is requested by the Department of Labor and Industries or the worker's self-insured employer. If the worker misses work without pay while attending the examination, the worker receives temporary disability compensation. This compensation is determined as a percentage of the worker's wages, with the percentage ranging from 60 percent to 75 percent depending on the worker's marital status and number of children.

Summary: The compensation for an injured worker who is absent from work without pay while attending a medical examination requested by the Department of Labor and Industries or the worker's self-insured employer is changed from temporary disability compensation to compensation that is equal to the worker's usual wages.

This change applies prospectively to all injured worker claims, regardless of the date of injury.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	94	4
Senate	43	0

Effective: July 25, 1993