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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 386-86, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3 "(a) If a claim for compensation is made, the director
- 4 shall [make such] further [investigation as deemed necessary]
- 5 investigate the facts surrounding the claim and render a
- 6 decision in writing within sixty days after the conclusion of
- 7 the hearing awarding or denying compensation, stating the
- 8 findings of fact and conclusions of law. [The director may
- 9 extend the due date for decisions for good cause provided all
- 10 parties agree.] The decision shall be filed with the record of
- 11 the proceedings and a copy of the decision shall be sent
- 12 immediately to each party."
- 13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Proceedings; Investigation; Decision Due Date; Worker Claim

Description:

Repeals the possibility of the director extending the due date for written decisions on the outcome of worker compensation claims.

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