ACT 374

H.B. NO. 220

A Bill for an Act Relating to Workers' Compensation.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 386-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By adding a new definition of "psychologist" to be appropriately inserted and to read:

<u>""Psychologist" means a licensed clinical psychologist with a doctorate degree in psychology and who either has at least two years clinical experience in a recognized health setting, or has met the standards of the National Register of the Health Service Providers in Psychology. When treatment or evaluation for an injury is provided by a psychologist, provision shall be made for appropriate medical collaboration when requested by the employer or the insurer, as provided by rules adopted in conformance with chapter 91."</u>

2. By amending the definition of "physician" to read:

""Physician" includes a doctor of medicine, a dentist, a chiropractor, an osteopath, a naturopath, <u>a psychologist</u>, and an optometrist."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved July 7, 1987.)