

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee On Business and Labor

MEASURE: HB 2797 A
CARRIER: Rep. Doherty

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/10/15

Action: Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.

Meeting Dates: 02/27, 04/10

Vote:

Yeas: 9 - Barton, Doherty, Esquivel, Evans, Fagan, Heard, Holvey, Kennemer, Nosse

Exc: 2 - Barreto, Weidner

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires subject employer to pay first installment of temporary disability compensation in workers' compensation claim within 14 days after employer has notice or knowledge of claim and of workers' disability if the medical provider authorizes the temporary disability compensation.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Difficulty faced by employer in knowing when to start the 14-day clock

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Requires employer to have both notice or knowledge of claim and of workers' disability.

BACKGROUND:

Current statutes require the employer to pay the first installment of temporary disability compensation (typically referred to as "time loss") within 14 days of notice or knowledge of the claim if the medical provider authorizes the payment. House Bill 2797-A changes the timeline to within 14 days of the employer's notice or knowledge of the claim and of the workers' disability if the medical provider authorizes the payment.