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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2764

- On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the second semicolon insert a "and".
- In line 3, delete the semicolon and insert a period and delete the rest of
- 4 the line and delete line 4.
- In line 24, after "practicable" insert "while providing for access to ade-
- 6 quate representation for injured workers when needed".
- 7 Delete line 25.
- 8 On page 2, delete line 1.
- In line 2, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced material.
- In line 4, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced material.
- In line 7, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced material.
- Delete lines 14 through 16.
- On page 6, line 10, delete the boldfaced material.
- In line 11, after "liable" insert "to the worker".
- In line 14, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced mate-
- 16 rial.
- In lines 16 through 19, restore the bracketed material.
- On page 7, line 2, after "in" delete the rest of the line and insert "at-
- 19 tending a formal personal or telephonic interview if an attorney representing
- 20 the insurer or self-insured employer is conducting, or is present during, the
- 21 interview."
- In line 3, delete "subsection."

- On page 8, line 2, delete "a reasonable assessed attorney fee" and insert
- 2 "a fee proportionate to the benefit pursuant to rules adopted under ORS
- 3 **656.385**".
- In line 28, delete the boldfaced material.
- In line 29, delete the boldfaced material, restore the bracketed material
- 6 and insert ", as well as attorney fees and costs under ORS 656.386,".
- On page 9, lines 30 through 45, restore the bracketed material and delete
- 8 the boldfaced material.
- 9 In line 38, after "that" insert "all or part of".
- In line 40, after "or" insert "all or part of".
- On page 10, delete lines 1 through 8.
- In lines 14 through 45, restore the bracketed material and delete the
- 13 boldfaced material.
- In line 27, after "department" insert "and the Workers' Compensation
- 15 Board under ORS 656.704 (3)(b)".
- On page 12, line 8, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced
- 17 material.
- Delete lines 9 through 12.
- In line 13, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced mate-
- 20 rial.
- In line 24, after the period insert "An attorney fee may not be approved
- or allowed for representation of the claimant before the managed care or-
- 23 ganization."
- In lines 40 through 45, delete the boldfaced material and insert "The
- board shall review all attorney fee schedules biennially for adjustment.".
- On page 13, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert:
- 27 "(5) In establishing the schedule of attorney fees awarded under this
- 28 chapter, the board shall consider the contingent nature of the practice of
- 29 workers' compensation law and the necessity of allowing the broadest access
- 30 to attorneys by injured workers and shall also give consideration to fees

- earned by attorneys representing insurers and self-insured employers."
- Delete lines 22 through 26 and insert "to disputes initiated on or after

3 January 1, 2016.".

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