2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 239

BY REPRESENTATIVE FRIEMAN

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 23:1310.5.1, relative to workers' compensation; to provide for motions to stay;
3	to require the granting of a motion to stay under certain circumstances; to require
4	status conferences; to prohibit dismissal on the grounds of abandonment; and to
5	provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 23:1310.5.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
8	<u>§1310.5.1. Stays</u>
9	A. Upon an uncontested motion to stay or a joint motion to stay of the
10	parties, the workers' compensation judge shall order a stay of the proceeding on a
11	claim and the stay shall remain in effect as long as the parties jointly agree.
12	B. If the motion to stay is granted, a telephone status conference shall be set
13	at such intervals occurring at least every six months as directed by the workers'
14	compensation judge.
15	C. The provisions of the Louisiana Administrative Code 40:1.5705(A)
16	regarding abandonment shall not apply to any matter subject to a stay order pursuant
17	to this Section during the pendency of the stay.
	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
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	APPROVED:

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