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HB No. 410

Abstract: Extends the sunset date of the Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund.

<u>Present law</u> creates the Second Injury Board and Second Injury Fund to encourage the employment, re-employment, or retention of employees who have a permanent, partial disability.

<u>Present law</u> provides that no claim shall be submitted for board approval with a date of accident after Dec. 31, 2014.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the date for submission for the board with a date of accident from Dec. 31, 2014 to Dec. 31, 2019.

<u>Present law</u> requires that all submissions of documentation to support pending claims shall be presented to the board on or before Dec. 31, 2016.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the date for submission of documentation to support pending claims <u>from</u> Dec. 31, 2016 to Dec. 31, 2021.

Present law requires the board to render a decision on pending claims on or before Dec. 31, 2017.

Proposed law changes the date for decisions on claims from Dec. 31, 2017, to Dec. 31, 2022.

<u>Present law</u> provides that reimbursement from the fund shall continue to be processed until all claims are closed.

Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 23:1371.2)