CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT House Bill No. 410 By Representative Talbot

June 4, 2013

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 410 by Representative Talbot, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

- 1. That all of the Senate Floor amendments of the set of Senate Floor Amendments consisting of three amendments proposed by Senator Riser and adopted by the Senate on May 23, 2013, be rejected.
- 2. That the following amendments to the Engrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 2 through 4 and insert in lieu thereof:

"To repeal R.S. 23:1371.2, relative to workers' compensation; to repeal the sunset of the Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, after "hereby" delete the remainder of the line and insert "repealed in its entirety."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Respectfully submitted,

On page 1, delete lines 7 through 13

Representative Herbert B. Dixon	Senator A.G. Crowe
Representative Cameron Henry	Senator Ronnie Johns
Representative Kirk Talbot	Senator Neil Riser

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

WORKERS COMPENSATION: Provides with respect to the sunset of the Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Repealed the sunset of the Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Repeal the sunset of the Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

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

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

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals the sunset of the fund.

(Repeals R.S. 23:1371.2)