

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 131—COMMITTEE
ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

FEBRUARY 11, 2011

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing certain occupational diseases for employees in certain professions. (BDR 53-688)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to occupational diseases; revising provisions relating to minimum duration of incapacity; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, certain diseases are considered to be occupational diseases
2 for firefighters, police officers, arson investigators and emergency medical
3 attendants. (NRS 617.453, 617.455, 617.457, 617.485, 617.487) This bill exempts
4 these claims from the requirement that a person must be incapacitated from earning
5 full wages for at least 5 days within a 20-day period in order to receive
6 compensation for disability.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 617.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 617.420 ~~No~~
3 *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, no*
4 compensation may be paid under this chapter for disability which
5 does not incapacitate the employee for at least 5 cumulative days
6 within a 20-day period from earning full wages, but if the incapacity
7 extends for 5 or more days within a 20-day period, the
8 compensation must then be computed from the date of disability.
9 The limitations in this ~~section~~ *subsection* do not apply to medical



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- 1 benefits, which must be paid from the date of application for
- 2 payment of medical benefits.
- 3 ***2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to claims filed***
- 4 ***pursuant to NRS 617.453, 617.455, 617.457, 617.485 or 617.487.***

