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4 By: Senator Dowd

A Bill

SENATE BILL 40

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-9-201 PERTAINING TO THE
9 COMPOSITION OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

12 "AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-9-201 PERTAINING
13 TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE WORKERS'
14 COMPENSATION COMMISSION."

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 11-9-201 (a) is amended to read as follows:

20 "(a) The Workers' Compensation Commission shall consist of three (3)
21 members appointed by the Governor for terms of six (6) years who shall devote
22 their entire time to the duties of the commission and shall administer the
23 provisions of this chapter.

24 (1) One (1) member shall be an attorney who has at least five
25 (5) years experience representing employers in workers' compensation matters;
26 or shall be a person who, on account of his previous vocation, employment, or
27 affiliation, has had at least five (5) years of experience as an employer and
28 can be classed as a representative of employers.

29 (2) One (1) member shall be an attorney who has at least five
30 (5) years' experience predominantly representing claimants in workers'
31 compensation matters or employees in labor relations matters; or shall be a
32 person who, on account of his previous vocation, employment, or affiliation,
33 has had at least five (5) years of membership in a bona fide labor
34 organization and can be classed as a representative of employees.

35 (3) The third member shall be an attorney, who shall be chairman

1 of the commission and who shall have been engaged in active practice of law
2 in the State of Arkansas for not less than five (5) years next preceding the
3 date of his appointment."
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5 SECTION 2. This act shall not affect the terms of office of existing
6 members of the Workers' Compensation Commission.
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8 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
9 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
10 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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12 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
13 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
14 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
15 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
16 act are declared to be severable.
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18 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
19 hereby repealed.
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