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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 846

By: Senators DeLay, Everett

## For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO ARKANSAS CODE 11-9-715 (a) (2) (B) (i), CONCERNI NG FEES FOR LEGAL SERVI CES W TH RESPECT TO WORKERS' COMPENSATI ON CLAI ME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

## Subtitle

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

SECTI ON 1. Arkansas Code 11-9-715 (a)(2) (B) (i), concerning fees for legal services with respect to workers' compensation cl ains, is amended to read as follow.
"(i) In all other cases whenever the commission finds that a claimhas been controverted, in whole or in part, the commission shall direct that fees for legal services be paid to the attorney for the clai mant asfollons: Onehalf $(1 / 2)$ by the employer or carrier in addition to compensation awarded; and one half ( $1 / 2$ ) by the injured employee or dependents of a deceased enployee out of compensation payable to them"

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and perment nature are amendat ory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Comission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
any person or circunstance is hel invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are decl ared to be severable.

SECTI ON 4. All I aws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repeal ed.

