

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 83rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2001  
4

*As Engrossed: S2/20/01 S3/1/01*

## A Bill

SENATE BILL 485

5 By: Senators Everett, DeLay  
6 By: Representatives Ledbetter, *Rodgers*  
7

### For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-9-201(a) CONCERNING  
11 THE QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE WORKERS'  
12 COMPENSATION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
13

### Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-9-201  
16 (a) CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF  
17 MEMBERS OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
18 COMMISSION.  
19  
20

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
22

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 11-9-201(a), concerning the qualifications of  
24 members of the Workers' Compensation Commission, is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 *(a) The Workers' Compensation Commission shall consist of three (3)*  
27 *members appointed by the Governor for terms of six (6) years who shall devote*  
28 *their entire time to the duties of the commission and shall administer the*  
29 *provisions of this chapter.*

30 *(1)(A) One (1) member shall be an attorney who has at least five*  
31 *(5) years' experience representing employers in workers' compensation matters*  
32 *or shall be a person who, on account of his previous vocation, employment, or*  
33 *affiliation, has had at least five (5) years of experience as an employer and*  
34 *can be classed as a representative of employers.*

35 *(B) The Arkansas Chamber of Commerce shall submit to the*  
36 *Governor a list of three (3) persons it nominates for this position from which*

1 the Governor shall choose one as the commissioner representing employers.

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

8 (B) The Arkansas AFL-CIO shall submit to the Governor a  
9 list of three (3) persons it nominates for this position from which the  
10 Governor shall choose one as the commissioner representing employees.

11 (3) The third member shall be an attorney, who shall be chairman  
12 of the commission and who shall have been engaged in active practice of law in  
13 the State of Arkansas for not less than five (5) years next preceding the date  
14 of his appointment.

15 /s/ Everett

16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36