

## CHAPTER 175

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

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**175.006 DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Creation and organization.** The division of workers' compensation, generally administering the workers' compensation law, is created within the department of labor and industry.

*[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1982]*

**History:** 1983 c 290 s 19

**175.007 ADVISORY COUNCIL ON WORKERS' COMPENSATION; CREATION.**

Subdivision 1. The commissioner shall appoint an advisory council on workers' compensation, which consists of five representatives of employers and five representatives of employees; five nonvoting members representing the general public; and two persons who have received or are currently receiving workers' compensation benefits under chapter 176. The council may consult with any party it desires. The terms and removal of members shall be as provided in section 15.059. The council is not subject to section 15.059, subdivision 5.

*[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1982]*

**History:** 1983 c 260 s 45; 1983 c 290 s 20

**175.07** [Repealed, 1983 c 290 s 173]

**175.08 OFFICE.**

The department of labor and industry shall maintain its main office within the Minneapolis-Saint Paul metropolitan area and be provided by the commissioner of administration with suitable rooms and necessary furniture. It may hold sessions at any other place in the state when it is convenient.

**History:** 1983 c 290 s 21

**175.10 SESSIONS TO BE PUBLIC.**

The department of labor and industry shall be open for the transaction of business during all business hours of each and every day, excepting Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays. The hearings of the workers' compensation division are open to the public and may be adjourned from time to time. All the proceedings of the division shall be shown on its records, which are public records.

**History:** 1983 c 290 s 22

**175.101 DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY AS HEAD OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION.**

Subdivision 1. It is the legislative purpose in creating a division of workers' compensation, and in assigning to the commissioner of the department of labor and industry specific duties and responsibilities, to:

(a) provide for a unified department of labor and industry for the limited purposes of organization and administration of common administrative functions; and

(b) assure the autonomy and maximum independence of the necessary adjudicative functions and quasi-legislative administrative duties of the division.

The commissioner as head of the workers' compensation division is the administrator of the workers' compensation division. The commissioner shall possess only the powers and shall perform only the duties prescribed by law.

Subd. 2. The commissioner shall keep a full and true record of all proceedings of the workers' compensation division, issue all necessary processes, writs, warrants, and notices which the division is required or authorized to issue and generally act as the administrator of the division of workers' compensation in the department of labor and industry. Notices and other documents required to be served or filed on the division of workers' compensation or the workers' compensation court of appeals shall be served on the commissioner.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1983 c 290 s 173]

**History:** 1983 c 290 s 23,24

**175.36** [Repealed, 1983 c 290 s 173]