

CHAPTER 175

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

175.007 Advisory council on workers' compensation; creation.

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175.007 ADVISORY COUNCIL ON WORKERS' COMPENSATION; CREATION.

Subdivision 1. **Creation; composition.** (a) There is created a permanent council on workers' compensation consisting of 12 voting members as follows: the presidents of the largest statewide Minnesota business and organized labor organizations as measured by the number of employees of its business members and in its affiliated labor organizations in Minnesota on July 1, 1992, and every five years thereafter; five additional members representing business, and five additional members representing organized labor. The commissioner of labor and industry shall serve as chair of the council and shall be a nonvoting member. Notwithstanding section 15.059, this council does not expire unless the council no longer fulfills the purpose for which the council was established, the council has not met in the last 18 months, or the council does not comply with the registration requirements of section 15.0599, subdivision 3.

(b) The governor, the majority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the minority leader of the senate, and the minority leader of the house of representatives shall each select a business and a labor representative. At least four of the labor representatives shall be chosen from the affiliated membership of the Minnesota AFL-CIO. At least two of the business representatives shall be representatives of small employers as defined in section 177.24, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (2). None of the council members shall represent attorneys, health care providers, qualified rehabilitation consultants, or insurance companies. If the appointing officials cannot agree on a method of appointing the required number of Minnesota AFL-CIO and small business representatives by the second Monday in June of the year in which appointments are made, they shall notify the secretary of state. The distribution of appointments shall then be determined publicly by lot by the secretary of state or a designee in the presence of the appointing officials or their designees on the third Monday in June.

(c) Each council member shall appoint an alternate. Alternates shall serve in the absence of the member they replace.

(d) The ten appointed voting members shall serve for terms of five years and may be reappointed.

(e) The council shall designate liaisons to the council representing workers' compensation insurers; medical, hospital, and rehabilitation providers; and the legal profession. The speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives shall each appoint a caucus member as a liaison to the council. The majority and minority leaders of the senate shall each appoint a caucus member to serve as a liaison to the council.

(f) The compensation and removal of members shall be as provided in section 15.059.

[For text of subds 2 to 5, see M.S.2000]

History: 2001 c 161 s 31

175.008 CODE ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; CREATION.

The commissioner shall appoint an 11 member advisory council on code enforcement. The terms, compensation, removal of council members, and expiration of the council are governed by section 15.059, except that the advisory council shall not expire before June 30, 2003. The council shall advise the commissioner on matters within the council's expertise or under the regulation of the commissioner.

History: 2001 c 161 s 32