

~~(HB 239/SB 240) on that structure. This examination shall include but may not be limited to the regulations adopted by the Commission that are to be used by physicians to measure permanent impairment when preparing medical evaluations of claimants. The Insurance Commissioner and the [Workmen's] WORKERS' Compensation Commission shall cooperate fully with the Oversight Committee and shall keep the Oversight Committee fully informed as to the condition of workers' compensation benefits and workers' compensation insurance in the State of Maryland and the effect of this Act and of Chapter 591 of the Acts of 1987 (HB 239/SB 240) on workers' compensation benefits and workers' compensation insurance in this State. The Insurance Commissioner and the [Workmen's] WORKERS' Compensation Commission shall make an annual report to the Oversight Committee on or before October 1 of each year on the condition of workers' compensation benefits and workers' compensation insurance and the effect of this Act and of Chapter 591 of the Acts of 1987 (HB 239/SB 240) on workers' compensation benefits and workers' compensation insurance in this State. The Oversight Committee shall report to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee on December 31 of each year. The Oversight Committee shall direct the Insurance Commissioner to prepare a feasibility study on alternative methods to determine the provision for claim payment and submit the study to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee on or before January 1, 1991.~~

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(a) The Commission may require such statistical and informational reports and analyses from self-insurers, insurers and the State Accident Fund as, in the opinion of the Commission, will be useful in increasing public understanding of the purposes, effectiveness, costs, coverage and administrative procedures of [workmen's] WORKERS' compensation in the State.

(b) (1) The chairman of the Commission shall each year make a report to the Governor as soon as practicable after the end of the fiscal year, including suggestions and recommendations as to improvements in the administration of the law, a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements and statistical analyses of industrial injuries, experiences, and compensation costs.

(2) If the Commission, in its yearly analysis, and at such other times as circumstances may warrant, determines that there is probable cause to believe that, during the past 12 months, there has been an excessive number or a high rate of industrial injuries associated with a particular industry or employer, the Commission shall:

(i) Report the determination to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; and

(ii) Request that the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Administration inspect and review the work sites and practices of each industry and employer identified for evidence of excessive safety violations.

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