

Amend SB 287 on third reading by striking the ARTICLE of the bill addressing the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission (house committee printing, ARTICLE 46, page 46, lines 10-18) and substituting a new appropriately numbered ARTICLE to read as follows:

ARTICLE ____ . TEXAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

SECTION ____ .01. Effective September 1, 2003, Section 402.002(a), Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Members of the commission hold office for staggered two-year [~~six-year~~] terms, with the terms of three members [~~one member representing employers and one member representing wage earners~~] expiring on February 1 of each [~~odd-numbered~~] year.

SECTION ____ .02. (a) Notwithstanding Section 402.002(a), Labor Code, as amended by this Act, the current terms of the members of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission expire February 1, 2005.

(b) As soon as possible on or after February 1, 2005, the governor shall appoint:

(1) one member representing employers and two members representing wage earners to terms expiring February 1, 2006; and

(2) one member representing wage earners and two members representing employers to terms expiring February 1, 2007.