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H.B. No. 704

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to attorney's fees in the subrogation of a state employee's workers' compensation claim.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 501.002(a), Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The following provisions of Subtitles A and B apply to and are included in this chapter except to the extent that they are inconsistent with this chapter:

(1) Chapter 401, other than Section 401.012 defining "employee";

(2) Chapter 402;

(3) Chapter 403, other than Sections 403.001-403.005;

(4) Chapter 405;

(5) Subchapters B and D through H, Chapter 406, other than Sections 406.071(a), 406.073, and 406.075;

(6) Chapter 408, other than Sections 408.001(b) and (c);

(7) Chapters 409 and 410;

(8) Subchapters A and G, Chapter 411, other than Sections 411.003 and 411.004;

(9) Chapters 412-417, other than Sections 417.003(a) and (b); and

(10) Chapter 451.

1 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
2 to a claim for workers' compensation benefits based on a
3 compensable injury that occurs on or after the effective date of
4 this Act. A claim based on a compensable injury that occurs before
5 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on
6 the date that the compensable injury occurred, and the former law is
7 continued in effect for that purpose.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.