

Amend CSSB 5 as follows:

Amend Article 1, of the committee report by inserting the following section appropriately numbered. Section 1 \_\_. Subchapter A, Chapter 402 of the Labor Code is amended by adding Section 402.0125 to read as follows:

PROHIBITION ON EMPLOYMENT OR REPRESENTATION.

(a) A commissioner, or an employee of the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation involved in hearing department cases may not:

(1) be employed by an insurance carrier that was in the scope of the commissioner's or employee's official responsibility while the commissioner or employee was associated with the department; or

(2) represent a person before the department or a court in a matter:

(A) in which the commissioner or employee was personally involved while associated with the department; or

(B) that was within the commissioner's or employee's official responsibility while the commissioner or employee was associated with the department.

(b) The prohibition of Subsection (a)(1) applies until the:

(1) second anniversary of the date the commissioner ceases to serve as a commissioner; and

(2) first anniversary of the date the employee's employment with the department ceases.

(c) The prohibition of Subsection (a)(2) applies while a commissioner, or employee of the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation involved in hearing insurance cases is associated with the department and at any time thereafter.