Amend SB 1169, house committee printing, by inserting the following new SECTIONS in the bill, appropriately numbered, and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_.1. Section 410.032, Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 410.032. PAYMENT OF BENEFITS UNDER INTERLOCUTORY ORDER. (a) The [As designated by the commissioner, division staff, other than the] benefit review officer who presides [presided or will preside] at the benefit review conference[,] shall:

- (1) consider a <u>written or verbal</u> request for an interlocutory order <u>for</u> the payment of benefits; and
- (2) [shall issue an interlocutory order] if the benefit review officer determines that issuance of an interlocutory order is [determined to be] appropriate, issue the interlocutory order not later than the third day after the date of receipt of the request under Subdivision (1).
- (b) The <u>interlocutory</u> order may address accrued benefits, future benefits, or both accrued benefits and future benefits.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 410.032, Labor Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to a request for an interlocutory order made in conjunction with a workers' compensation benefit review conference that is conducted by a benefit review officer on or after the effective date of this Act. A request made before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the request is made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.