By: Raymond H.B. No. 4545

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4545:

By: Keffer C.S.H.B. No. 4545

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the time for filing a petition for judicial review in
- 3 certain workers' compensation cases.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 410.252(a), Labor Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (a) A party may seek judicial review by filing suit not
- 8 later than the $\underline{45th}$ [40th] day after the date on which [the decision
- 9 of the appeals panel was filed with] the division mailed the party
- 10 the decision of the appeals panel.
- 11 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 12 to a judicial review proceeding initiated under Subchapter F or G,
- 13 Chapter 410, Labor Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 14 A proceeding initiated before that date is governed by the law in
- 15 effect on the date the proceeding was initiated, and the former law
- 16 is continued in effect for that purpose.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.