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S.B. No. 934

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to judicial review of certain workers' compensation
- 3 disputes.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Sections 410.252(a) and (d), Labor Code, are
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) A party may seek judicial review by filing suit not
- 8 later than the 60th [45th] day after the date on which the division
- 9 mailed the party the decision of the appeals panel. For purposes of
- 10 this section, the mailing date is considered to be the fifth day
- 11 after the date the decision of the appeals panel was filed with the
- 12 division.
- 13 (d) If a suit is initially filed within the 60-day [45-day]
- 14 period in Subsection (a), and is transferred under Subsection (c),
- 15 the suit is considered to be timely filed in the court to which it is
- 16 transferred.
- 17 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 18 to a suit for judicial review filed on or after the effective date
- 19 of this Act. A suit for judicial review filed before the effective
- 20 date of this Act is covered by the law as it existed on the date the
- 21 suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that
- 22 purpose.
- 23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.