



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 72***

LCO No. 563

Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***An Act Concerning Notice Of Workers' Compensation Claims  
For Repetitive Trauma Injuries.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (a) of section 31-294c of the general statutes is repealed  
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) No proceedings for compensation under the provisions of this  
4 chapter shall be maintained unless a written notice of claim for  
5 compensation is given [within] (1) not later than one year from the  
6 date of the accident, [or within] (2) not later than three years from the  
7 first manifestation of a symptom of the occupational disease, or (3) in  
8 the case of a condition caused by repetitive trauma, not later than one  
9 year from the first manifestation of such condition or not later than one  
10 year from the last such trauma, whichever is later, as the case may be,  
11 [which] that caused the personal injury, provided, if death has resulted  
12 within two years from the date of the accident or first manifestation of  
13 a symptom of the occupational disease, a dependent or dependents, or  
14 the legal representative of the deceased employee, may make claim for  
15 compensation within the two-year period or [within] not later than one  
16 year from the date of death, whichever is later. Notice of a claim for

17 compensation may be given to the employer or any commissioner and  
18 shall state, in simple language, the date and place of the accident and  
19 the nature of the injury resulting from the accident, or the date of the  
20 first manifestation of a symptom of the occupational disease and the  
21 nature of the disease, as the case may be, and the name and address of  
22 the employee and of the person in whose interest compensation is  
23 claimed. An employee of the state shall send a copy of the notice to the  
24 Commissioner of Administrative Services. As used in this section,  
25 "manifestation of a symptom" means manifestation to an employee  
26 claiming compensation, or to some other person standing in such  
27 relation to him that the knowledge of the person would be imputed to  
28 him, in a manner that is or should be recognized by him as  
29 symptomatic of the occupational disease or condition for which  
30 compensation is claimed.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To clarify the deadline for filing claims for repetitive trauma injuries.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*