



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 760

LCO No. 869

Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:
(LAB)

AN ACT REQUIRING CONTINUED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE OR TREATMENT UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 31-284b of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2003*):

4 (a) In order to maintain, as nearly as possible, the income of
5 employees who suffer employment-related injuries, any employer who
6 provides accident and health insurance or life insurance coverage for
7 any employee or makes payments or contributions at the regular
8 hourly or weekly rate for full-time employees to an employee welfare
9 plan, shall provide to the employee equivalent insurance coverage or
10 welfare plan payments or contributions while the employee is (1)
11 eligible to receive or is receiving compensation pursuant to this
12 chapter, [or while the employee is] (2) eligible to receive or is receiving
13 medical and surgical aid or hospital and nursing service required
14 under section 31-294d, or (3) receiving wages under a provision for
15 sick leave payments for time lost due to an employment-related injury.

16 As used in this section, "income" means all forms of remuneration to
17 an [individual] employee from [his] employment, including wages,
18 accident and health insurance coverage, life insurance coverage and
19 employee welfare plan contributions and "employee welfare plan"
20 means any plan established or maintained for employees or their
21 families or dependents, or for both, for medical, surgical or hospital
22 care benefits.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

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