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BILL NUMBER: SHB 5889
FILE NUMBER:
AMENDMENTS: House "B"

TITLE: "AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONERS"

FAVORABLY REPORTED BY Judiciary, Labor and Public Employees

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/1/92

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER SHB 5889

STATE IMPACT	See Explanation Below
MUNICIPAL IMPACT	None
STATE AGENCY(S)	Workers' Compensation Commission, State Treasurer, State Comptroller

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

STATE IMPACT: Passage of this bill as amended gives Workers' Compensation Commissioners subpoena powers and the ability to impose a fine up to \$250 for those who fail to respond to subpoenas. The General Fund revenue gain anticipated from such fines is expected to be minimal.

The bill as amended also prohibits payments from the Second Injury Fund to any injured employee who is employed by an out-of-state employer that is not required to pay assessments to the fund. This may result in a minimal savings to the Second Injury Fund.

House "B" transfers the responsibilities regarding the Second Injury and Compensation Assurance Fund from the State Treasurer to the State Comptroller. The fiscal impact to the fund is indeterminate at this time because the way in which this change would be implemented is unknown. There are 56 positions associated with the administration of the Second Injury and Compensation Assurance Fund which are located in leased space in Windsor. It would appear that the transfer of these positions to the State Comptroller would not be physical and there would not be any moving costs.