

# Workers' Compensation: SB 40

## Senate Labor and Commerce Committee

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Quick

Efficient

Fair

Predictable

Reasonable  
cost



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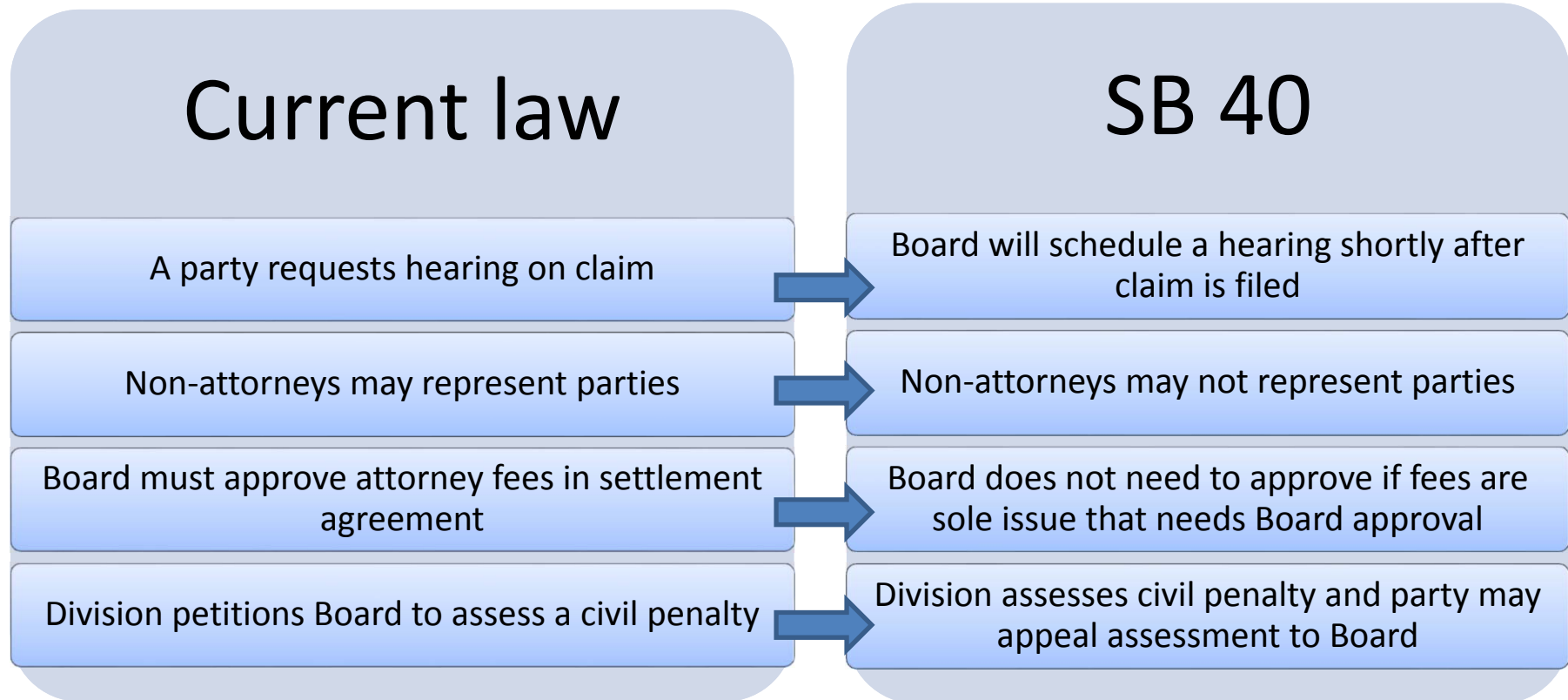
## **SB 40: Workers' Compensation Efficiencies Bill**

- Speed up dispute resolution
- Improve the delivery of medical care to injured workers
- Strengthen provisions to prevent workers' compensation fraud by employers and employees
- Reduce administrative costs
- Ensure adequate funding for the administration of the workers' compensation and workers' safety programs



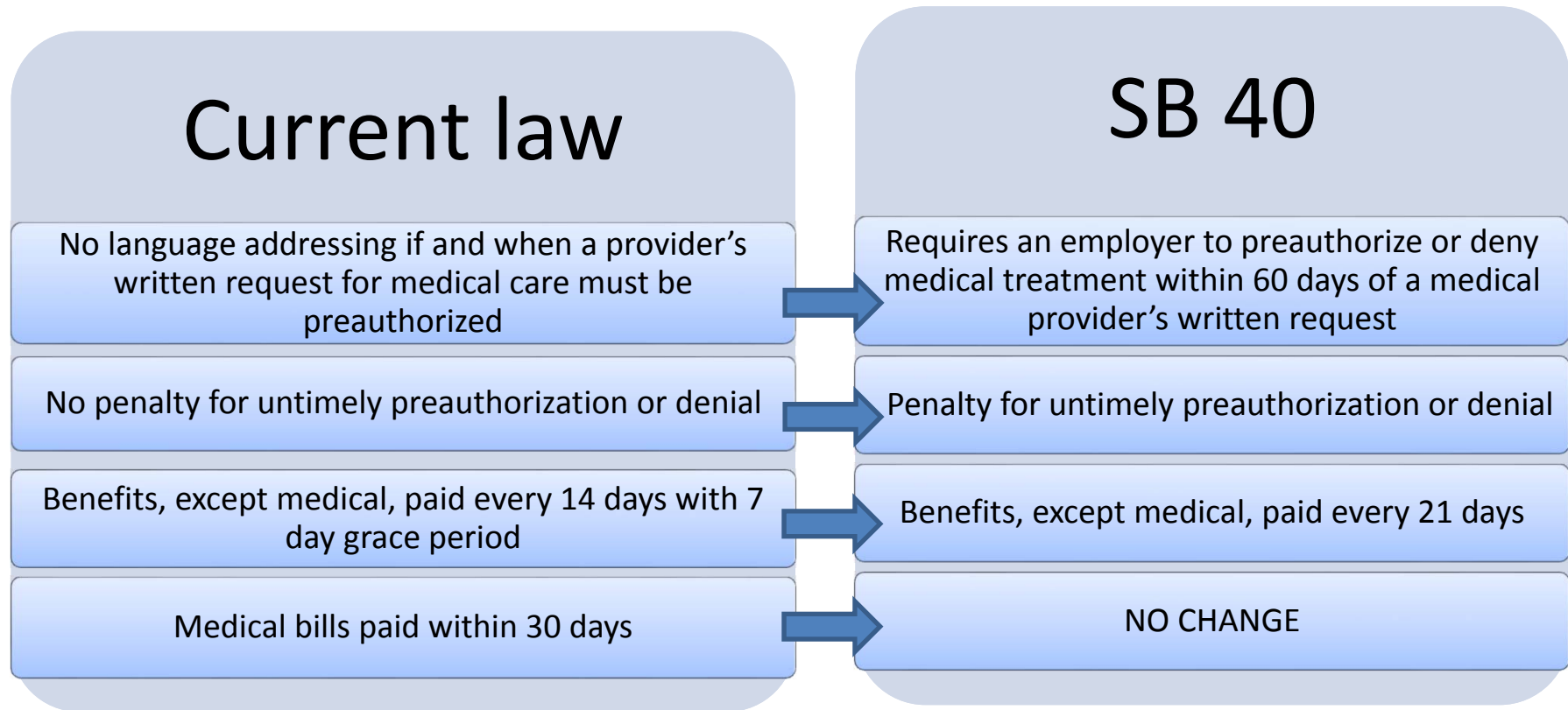
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## SPEED UP DISPUTE RESOLUTION: SECS. 10-13, 18-20, 39



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## IMPROVE THE DELIVERY OF MEDICAL CARE: SECS. 16, 22, 24-25



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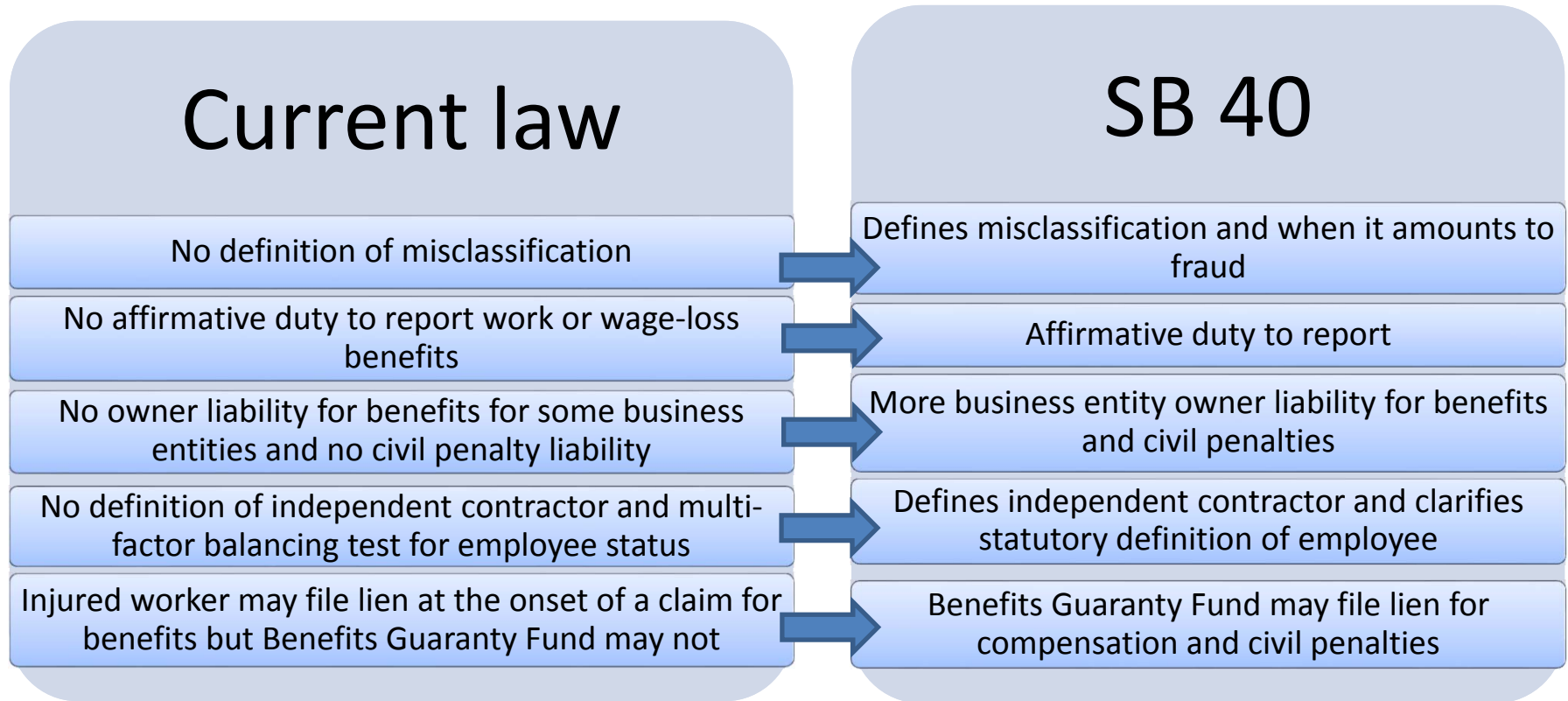
## Why the Division is Tackling Misclassification

- Worker safety
- Risk of uninsured losses
- Law-abiding employers bear greater financial burden



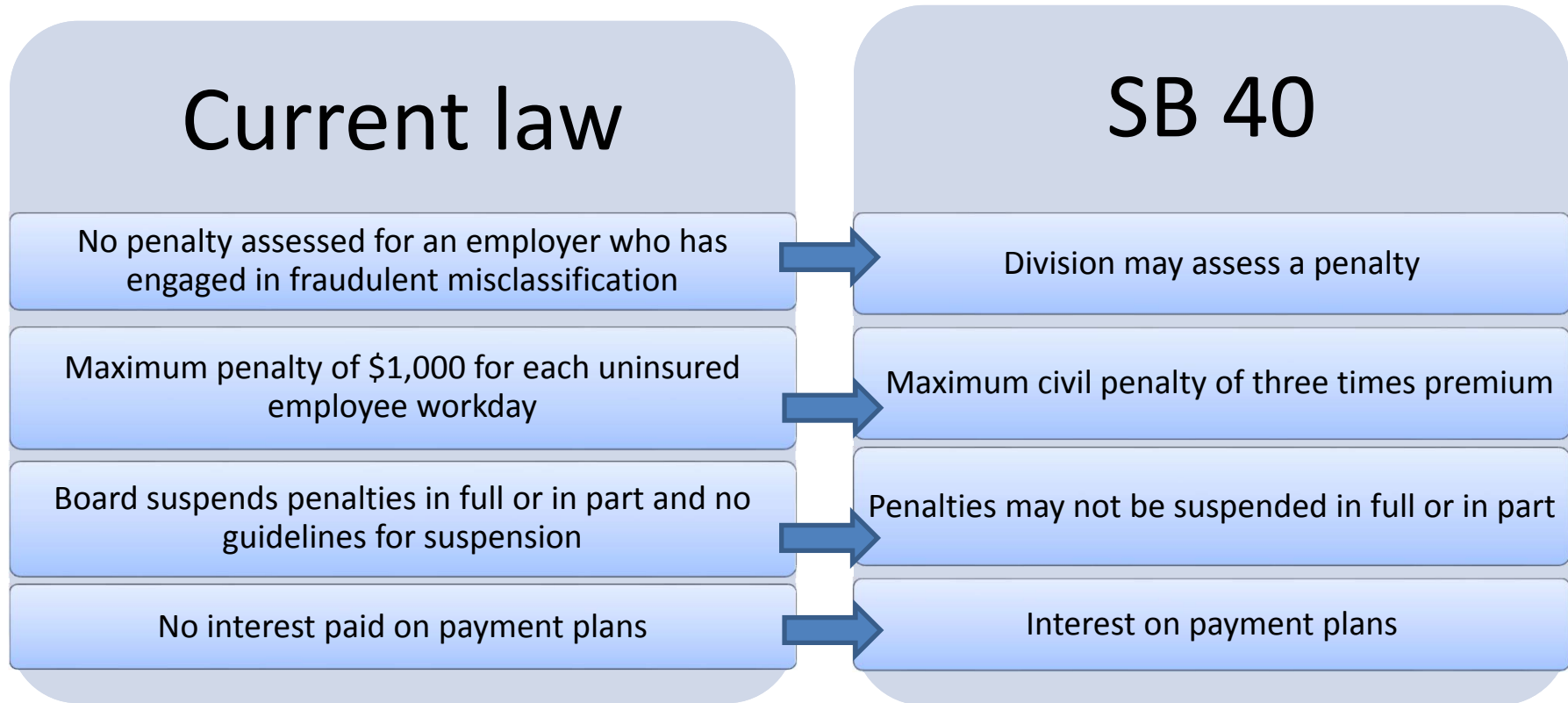
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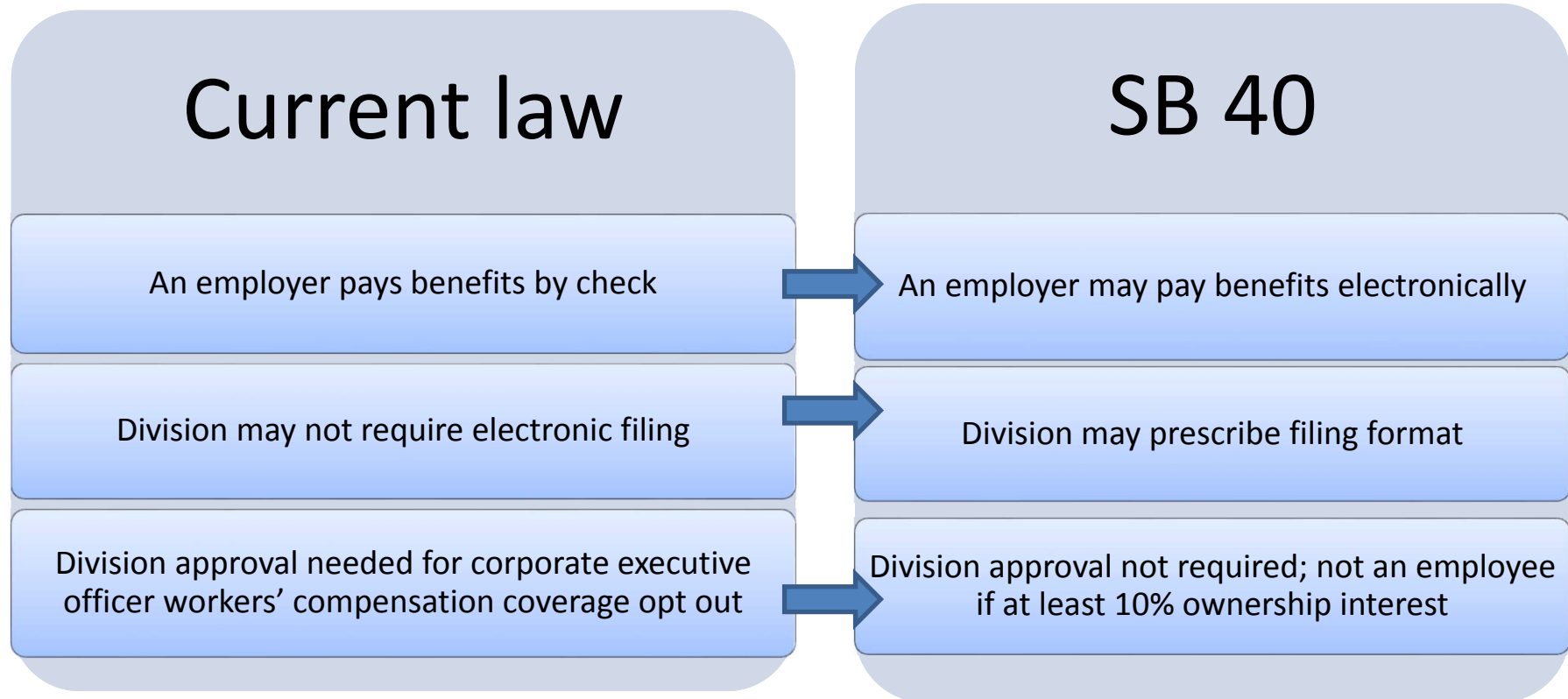
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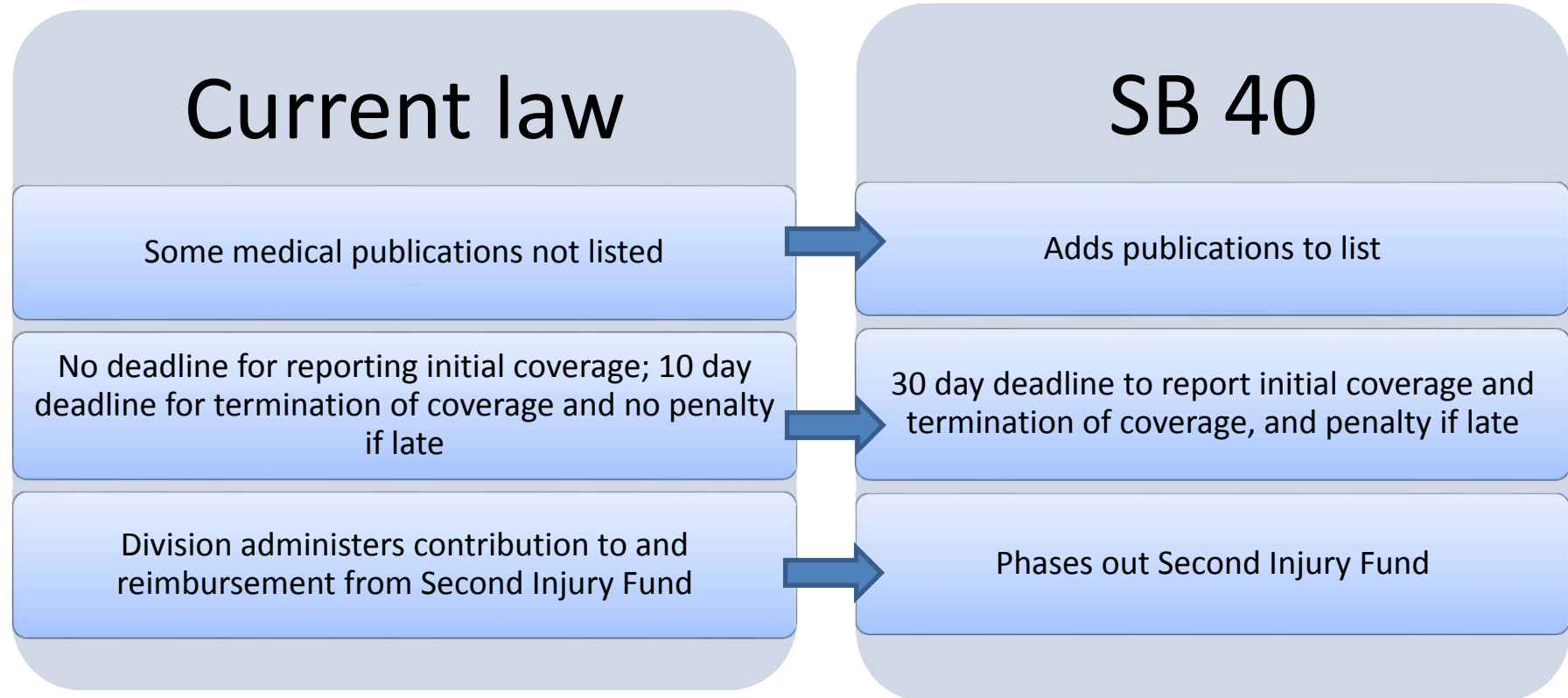
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## REDUCE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS: SECS. 2-8, 15, 17, 21, 23, 26-27, 30, 32-33



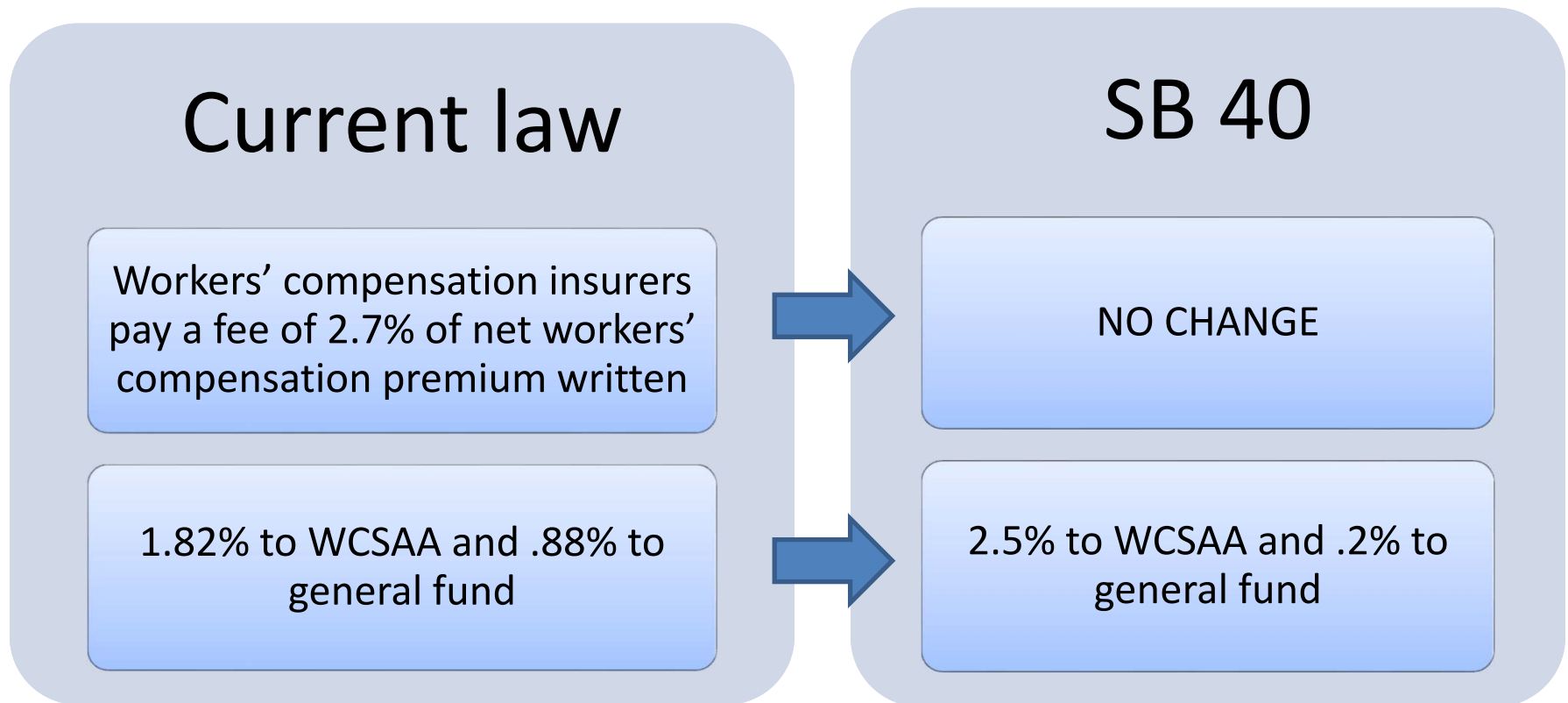
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## ENSURE ADEQUATE FUNDING: SEC. 1



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