



**Explanation of Changes
CS for HB 79 (L&C)
Version D to Version O**

Page 2 and 21-22, Secs. 2, 4, 40, 45, and 46: Deletes sections 2, 4, 40, 45 and 46 relating to second injury fund transition. This allows the legislature to amend the statutes to repeal the second injury fund after it has been notified that all second injury fund claims have been satisfied, rather than having the repeal occur automatically.

Page 11, Line 4, Sec. 21: Technical correction changing “payment or compensation” to “payment of compensation.”

Page 11, Lines 25-26, Sec. 22: Inserts “When the employer files a notice of controversion” to the sentence, “The Division shall notify the employee if an employer controverts the employee’s right to compensation.”

Page 12, Lines 13-14, Sec. 23: Deletes “to the person owed or to be reimbursed.” Lines 28-31 describe more specifically to whom the additional amount should be paid. Stating it twice in the same subsection may open it to inconsistent interpretations.

Page 14, Lines 17-18, Sec. 26: Technical correction reorganizing sentence so “AS 23.30.082” appears after “fund” instead of “guaranty.”

Page 16, Lines 14-16, Sec. 28: Deletes “has a license, permit, or certification” and inserts, “has all business, trade, or professional licenses.”

Page 19, Line 26, Sec. 33: Technical correction deleting “the.”

Page 20, Line 7, Sec. 34 and Page 20, Line 28, Sec. 35: Technical correction deleting “and” and inserting a comma.

Page 21, Line 18, Sec. 39: Technical correction changing AS 23.30.080(8) to AS 23.30.080(g).

Page 21, Line 19, Sec. 39: Technical correction changing AS 23.30.080(n)–(k) to AS 23.30.080(h)–(k).

Page 21, Line 26, Sec. 39: Inserts “AS 23.30.110(d), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 17 of this Act.” This clarifies the new provision relating to representation applies to new claims filed on or after the effective date of the bill.

Pages 21, Line 31-Page 22, Line 5, Sec. 39: Inserts a new subsection (c) providing the new executive officer and business entity member provisions apply to an insurance policy or contract entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of sec. 29, which August 1, 2018.

Page 22, Lines 8-11, Sec. 40: Deletes “The balance of the second injury fund created by former AS 23.30.040 shall be transferred to the general fund on the effective date of this section” and inserts, “Subject to appropriation, the balance of the second injury fund created under AS 23.30.040 lapses into the general fund when all liability for accepted claims under AS 23.30.205 to the second injury fund and claims ordered to be paid from that fund have been satisfied.”

Page 22, Line 18, Sec. 43: Provides Sec. 30 takes effect July 1, 2018.

Page 22, Line 20, Sec. 44: Provides Sec. 29 takes effect August 1, 2018.