



## **Explanation of Changes CS for HB 69 (JUD) Version A to Version U**

**Page 1, line 5:** Inserts two inadvertently omitted court rule references, Appellate Procedure Rules 602(c) and (h), into the bill title.

**Page 3, lines 4 - 9, Sec. 5:** Simplifies the paragraph structure and wording of the language clarifying when a board order becomes effective and is final.

**Page 3, lines 10 - 19, Sec. 5:** Clarifies the wording of when a board order may be stayed.

**Page 3, line 20, Sec. 5:** Deletes the sentence, "The board's findings regarding the credibility of the testimony of a witness before the board are binding on the court as provided in AS 23.30.122." This sentence is unnecessary because it restates a provision already found in the Alaska Workers' Compensation Act.

**Page 3, line 28 - Page 4, line 6, Sec. 6:** Amends AS 23.30.155(f) directly, instead of repealing subsection (f) and creating a new subsection (r) as version A was written.

**Page 4, lines 14 - 23, Sec. 10:** Deletes Section 8 in version A, which addressed "direct" court rule amendments relating to cost bonds. For efficiency and consistency, these are addressed as "indirect" court rule amendments in new Section 10. Sections following this deletion are renumbered in the CS. For example, the previous Section 9 is now Section 8.

**Page 4, line 12, Sec. 9:** Deletes AS 23.30.155(f) from the list of statutes being repealed because version U directly amends AS 23.30.155(f). Version A had instead repealed subsection (f) and made changes in a new subsection (r).

**Page 4, lines 15 - 30, Sec. 10:** Simplifies the description of how the court rules are amended and adds a description of how Appellate Procedure Rules 602(c) and (h) are amended. Previous language in version A was potentially confusing.

**Page 4, line 31 - Page 5, line 17, Sec. 11:** Simplifies the paragraph structure and wording of the applicability language.