

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2276

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HAAHR.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 287.450, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to workers' compensation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 287.450, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 287.450, to read as follows:

287.450. 1. If the employer and employee or his dependents do not agree in regard to compensation payable under this chapter, either party may make application in a manner determined by the division for a hearing in regard to the matters at issue and for a ruling thereon, except that no application for a hearing shall be considered until fourteen days after the receipt by the division of the report of accident required under section 287.380. The fourteen-day waiting period is not applicable to applications for hardship hearings. After the application has been received, the division shall set a date for a hearing, which shall be held as soon as practicable, and shall notify the interested parties of the time and place of the hearing.

2. At any time after the fourteen-day waiting period, if the parties agree as to certain material facts, the parties may jointly make an application in a manner determined by the division for a hearing in regard to the issue presented and for a conclusive ruling thereon. After the application has been received, the division shall set a date for a hearing, which shall be held as soon as practicable, and shall notify the interested parties of the time and place of the hearing.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.