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April 29, 2014, Introduced by Rep. Foster and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 317, entitled "Worker's disability compensation act of 1969," by amending section 541 (MCL 418.541).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 541. (1) All payments from the funds shall be determined 2 by the trustees and made upon an order signed by a trustee. If a 3 dispute arises between the trustees and a carrier as to any 4 determination by the trustees or the obligation of any carrier to 5 make payments on behalf of the second injury fund, the dispute 6 shall be deemed to be CONSIDERED a controversy concerning 7 compensation and shall be determined in accordance with this act.
 - (2) In all cases in which the carrier shall be entitled to be reimbursed, IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT, notice of claim for reimbursement shall be filed with the trustees within 1 year from

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- 1 the date on which the right to reimbursement first accrues. After
- 2 the carrier has established a right to reimbursement, payment shall
- 3 be made promptly on a proper showing periodically every 6 months.
- 4 (3) The trustees may enter into agreements with carriers
- 5 whereby the payment of benefits to persons permanently and totally
- 6 disabled, from the second injury fund which PAYMENTS heretofore
- 7 have been made directly from the SECOND INJURY fund, may be made by
- 8 carriers who are paying workmen's WORKER'S compensation benefits to
- 9 such THOSE persons, and the carriers shall be reimbursed
- 10 periodically at 6-month intervals from the fund for such THOSE
- 11 payments.
- 12 (4) A FUND UNDER THIS CHAPTER HAS THE SAME RIGHTS UNDER THIS
- 13 ACT AS AN EMPLOYER OR CARRIER.
- 14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 15 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5489 (request no.
- 16 04528'13 **) of the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.

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