THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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MAY 29, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR RELATIONS, MAY 29, 2007

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled, as 2 reenacted and amended, "An act defining the liability of an 3 employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe 4 in the course of employment; establishing an elective 5 schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties," providing for cost-of-living increases in the amount of compensation payable. 8 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 10 11 Section 1. The act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, reenacted and amended June 21, 12 1939 (P.L.520, No.281), is amended by adding a section to read: 13 Section 308.2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this 14 15 act, the amount of compensation payable to an employe, other 16 than medical costs, and to the survivor of an employe shall be increased each year by the same percentage as the increase in 17 the cost of living for the previously completed calendar year, 18 19 as published by the United States Department of Labor. The

- increase in the amount of compensation payable shall take effect 1
- 2 thirty days after publication of the percentage increase by the
- 3 <u>United States Department of Labor</u>.
- Section 2. The addition of section 308.2 of the act shall 4
- 5 apply to compensation payable on or after January 1, 2007.
- Section 3. This act shall be retroactive to January 1, 2007. 6
- Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately. 7