

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 418

By: Senator J. Payton

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; TO ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION CARRIERS TO SPEND AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF PREMIUMS ON HEALTHCARE CLAIMS AND WAGE CLAIMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; AND TO ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURERS TO SPEND AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF PREMIUMS ON HEALTHCARE CLAIMS AND WAGE CLAIMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 11-9-408, concerning insurance policies under the Workers' Compensation Law, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(e)(1) An insurer providing workers' compensation benefits in this state is required to have a medical loss ratio of at least eighty-five percent (85%) for workers compensation claims.

(2) As used in this section, "medical loss ratio" means the measure used in workers' compensation insurance to assess the percentage of premium dollars spent on healthcare claims and wage claims versus administrative costs.



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