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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Workers' Compensation - Initial Application and Receipt of Permanent Partial Disability**
3 **Benefits**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that the limitation on modification of awards does not
5 prohibit a claimant who has received temporary total disability benefits from making
6 an initial application for and receiving an award of permanent partial disability
7 benefits more than a certain period after the last compensation payment of
8 temporary total disability benefits.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article - Labor and Employment
11 Section 9-736(b)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1991 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Labor and Employment**

17 9-736.

18 (b) (1) The Commission has continuing powers and jurisdiction over each claim
19 under this title.

20 (2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, the Commission may modify
21 any finding or order as the Commission considers justified.

22 (3) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the Commission may
23 not modify an award unless the modification is applied for within 5 years after the last
24 compensation payment.

25 (4) PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT A
26 CLAIMANT WHO HAS RECEIVED TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS FROM
27 MAKING AN INITIAL APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVING AN AWARD OF PERMANENT
28 PARTIAL DISABILITY BENEFITS MORE THAN 5 YEARS AFTER THE LAST
29 COMPENSATION PAYMENT OF TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS.

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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 1996.