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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Workers' Compensation - Temporary Total Benefits - Jurisdiction of**
3 **Commission**

4 FOR the purpose of expanding the circumstances in which the Workers'
5 Compensation Commission retains jurisdiction pending an appeal; authorizing
6 the Commission to pass a certain supplemental order under certain
7 circumstances; and generally relating to workers' compensation.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Labor and Employment
10 Section 9-742
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1991 Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Labor and Employment**

16 9-742.

17 (a) The Commission retains jurisdiction pending an appeal to consider:

18 (1) a request for additional medical treatment and attention; AND

19 (2) A REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY TOTAL BENEFITS.

20 (b) (1) If the Commission finds that a covered employee needs additional
21 medical attention pending an appeal, the Commission may pass a supplemental order
22 requiring the employer to provide additional medical treatment and attention.

23 (2) IF THE COMMISSION FINDS THAT A COVERED EMPLOYEE NEEDS
24 TEMPORARY TOTAL BENEFITS PENDING AN APPEAL, THE COMMISSION MAY PASS A
25 SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER REQUIRING THE EMPLOYER TO AWARD THE EMPLOYEE
26 TEMPORARY TOTAL BENEFITS.

1 (c) A supplemental order passed by the Commission under this section is
2 subject to review on the pending appeal.

3 (d) When an appeal that is pending relates solely to a penalty imposed by the
4 Commission, the Commission retains jurisdiction over all matters in the case other
5 than imposition of the penalty.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 1999.