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BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1223

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 2, after "Insurers" insert "and Self-Insurers"; in line 3, after "for" insert "certain employers that self-insure and"; and in line 7, after "Section" insert "9-405(d) and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

After line 12, insert:

"9-405.

- (d) Each employer that self-insures under this section shall have in the State [an office run by] a competent individual who handles all [of the] DISPUTED workers' compensation [work] CLAIMS in the State for the employer.
- (2) Each employer that self-insures under this section shall establish a toll-free telephone number through which an employee or claimant, or a representative of an employee or claimant, may make direct telephone inquiries during regular business hours.
- (3) The Commission may assess a fine not exceeding \$1,000 on a self-insurer that does not comply with this subsection.".