



involving changes to workers' compensation benefits were analyzed for their costs by the Workers' Compensation Administration research staff, the National Council on Compensation Insurance and New Mexico Mutual Casualty Company. This proposal has never been submitted to or reviewed by either the former or current Workers' Compensation Advisory Council. It is the position of the current Workers' Compensation Advisory Council that, at the present time, it opposes this bill.

The New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department notes this is a significant change in workers' compensation rules. This bill expansion in the time frame of benefits will result in potentially large increases in costs associated in settling claims.

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