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SYNOPSIS

Revises effective date of P.L.2019, c.387 concerning workers' compensation for loss of hand or foot, to clarify that law applies to cases pending, but not yet settled, or filed on or after date of enactment.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

AN ACT concerning workers' compensation and amending P.L.2019, c.387.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 2 of P.L.2019, c.387 is amended to read as follows:

2. **[**This act**]** P.L.2019, c.387 shall take effect immediately, and shall apply to all pending traumatic accident claims or occupational disease or injury cases which have not yet been adjudicated by a Judge of Workers Compensation or approved for settlement under R.S.34:15-22 on or after the date of enactment of P.L.2019, c.387. P.L.2019, c.387 shall not be applicable to cases which have been reopened by an Application to Modify a Formal Award pursuant to R.S.34:15-27.

(cf: P.L.2019, c.387, s.2)

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill clarifies the effective date of P.L.2019, c.387, which increases workers' compensation for the loss of a hand or foot. This bill makes it clear that the provisions of P.L.2019, c.387 will apply to all claims pending, but not yet settled, or filed on or after the date of enactment of P.L.2019, c.387, which was January 21, 2020. P.L.2019, c.387 will not be applicable to cases which have been reopened by an Application to Modify a Formal Award pursuant to R.S.34:15-27.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.