HOUSE BILL NO. HB0010

Workers' compensation amendments.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services Interim Committee

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for

- 1 AN ACT relating to workers' compensation; amending bonding
- 2 and coverage requirements for employees of nonresident
- 3 employers, as specified; providing a penalty for delinquent
- 4 employer reports, as specified; amending the minimum
- 5 penalty on delinquent premiums; repealing the requirement
- 6 that covered employment be principally localized in
- 7 Wyoming; and providing for an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 11 **Section 1.** W.S. 27-1-106(c)(ii), 27-14-202 by
- 12 creating a new subsection (j), 27-14-203(c),
- 13 27-14-301(a)(intro) and 27-14-302(b) and by creating a new
- 14 subsection (e) are amended to read:

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report.

27-1-106. Certain nonresident employers required to 1 2 post bond; exceptions. 3 4 The bond or security provided for in this section 5 shall ensure: 6 7 (ii) All other payments or obligations of the nonresident employer required by the Wyoming Worker's 8 9 Compensation Act unless waived by the director pursuant to W.S. 27-14-302. 10 11 12 27-14-202. Premium payments; payroll reports; 13 department authority to establish joint reporting; remedies for incorrect earnings categorizations by employers. 14 15 (j) The division, on or about the fifteenth of the 16 17 month following the due date, shall send a written notice of delinquency to an employer failing to submit a report as 18 19 required by this section. An employer failing to submit a 20 report required by this section within thirty (30) days of 21 the date due shall, in addition to any delinquent premium penalty pursuant to W.S. 27-14-203, be assessed a penalty 22 of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each delinquent 23

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2 27-14-203. Failure of employer to make payments;

3 interest; lien; injunction; nonexclusive remedies.

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- 5 (c) Premiums not paid on or before the date due shall
- 6 bear interest of two percent (2%) per month or any
- 7 fractional portion thereof, or fifty dollars (\$50.00) per
- 8 month, whichever amount is greater, from the due date until
- 9 payment plus accrued interest is received by the division.
- 10 The interest is part of the payment due for all purposes if
- 11 suit is instituted as provided in this act.

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27-14-301. Applicability of provisions.

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- 15 (a) This act applies to all injuries and deaths
- 16 occurring in Wyoming in employment described in W.S.
- 17 27-14-108(a), (d), (e), (j), (k) or (m) if the employment
- 18 is principally localized in Wyoming and to all injuries and
- 19 deaths occurring outside of Wyoming in employment described
- 20 in W.S. 27-14-108(a), (d), (e), (j), (k) or (m) under the
- 21 following conditions:

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- 23 27-14-302. Required reporting; security required for
- 24 certain nonresident employers.

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- 2 (b) Before starting business or engaging work in this
- 3 state, a nonresident employer as defined by W.S.
- 4 27-1-106(a) shall register as required by W.S. 27-14-207,
- 5 and shall either pay an advance premium deposit as provided
- in the department's rules and regulations or shall file 6
- with the director a surety bond or other security approved 7
- by the director, as provided in W.S. 27-1-106. 8

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- (e) The requirements of this section shall be waived 10
- 11 if the nonresident employer provides a certificate of
- 12 coverage pursuant to W.S. 27-14-306(b).

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- **Section 2.** W.S. 27-14-108(g)(iv) and 27-14-301(a)(i) 14
- and (b) are repealed. 15

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2006. 17

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