

One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB302

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: February 25, 2013

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 302 would apply only to those who were injured on their job, and whose injuries were determined by the Workers Compensation Court to have resulted in total disability. Current law provides a formula for the annual calculation of the maximum weekly benefit and although the Legislature has recognized the necessity of annually updating the allowable maximum, there is no such updating for the worker once his or her compensation amount has been set.

LB 302 would simply apply the same formula used to calculate the maximum benefits to the actual award of benefits on an annual basis.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Norman Wallman