
OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 6721

AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND PORTAL-TO-PORTAL COVERAGE FOR TELECOMMUNICATORS.

SUMMARY

This bill extends “portal-to-portal” workers’ compensation coverage to telecommunicators (i.e., 9-1-1 emergency dispatchers). With “portal-to-portal” coverage, an employee’s travel from home to the workplace or from the workplace to home is considered to be in the course of the employee’s employment. This makes an employee injured while traveling between home and work eligible to receive workers’ compensation benefits for the injury. Current law provides portal-to-portal coverage to police officers and firefighters and, under limited circumstances, to Department of Correction employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

COMMITTEE ACTION

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 10 Nay 1 (02/28/2023)