THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY MULLERY, CEPHAS, DELLOSO, INNAMORATO, KRUEGER, McNEILL, O'MARA, PISCIOTTANO, SNYDER, RABB, HARKINS, FREEMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, MERSKI, N. NELSON, HILL-EVANS AND HOHENSTEIN, NOVEMBER 8, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled "An 1 act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties," in liability and 5 6 compensation, further providing for schedule of compensation. 7 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 10 Section 1. Section 306(c)(22) of the act of June 2, 1915 11 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, is 12 amended to read: Section 306. The following schedule of compensation is 13 14 hereby established: * * * 15 16 (c) For all disability resulting from permanent injuries of 17 the following classes, the compensation shall be exclusively as 18 follows: * * * 19

- 1 (22) For serious and permanent disfigurement of [the head,
- 2 neck or face] the body, of such a character as to produce an
- 3 unsightly appearance, and such as is not usually incident to the
- 4 employment, sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of wages not to
- 5 exceed [two hundred seventy-five weeks.] four hundred weeks.
- 6 <u>Disfigurement benefits paid to the injured worker shall be made</u>
- 7 <u>separate and apart from total or partial disability. A claimant</u>
- 8 <u>is not precluded from collecting both total or partial</u>
- 9 <u>disability benefits and a disfigurement benefit simultaneously.</u>
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- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.