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HOUSE BILL 168*
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Short Title: Divison of Atty's Fees in Workers' Comp. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 28, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT GRANTING THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION JURISDICTION TO DECIDE DISPUTES BETWEEN AN EMPLOYEE'S PAST AND CURRENT ATTORNEYS REGARDING THE DIVISION OF A FEE AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 97-90 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(f) The Commission shall hear and determine any dispute between an employee's current and past attorney or attorneys regarding the division of a fee as approved by the Commission pursuant to this section. An attorney who is a party to an action under this subsection shall have the same rights of appeal as outlined in subsection (c) of this section."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to disputes that arise on or after that date.