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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
87TH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 1993**

Introduced by Senator Honigman

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 89

AN ACT to amend section 625 of Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, entitled as amended "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to worker's disability compensation; to increase the administrative efficiency of the adjudicative processes of the worker's compensation system; to improve the qualifications of the persons having adjudicative functions within the worker's compensation system; to prescribe certain powers and duties; to create the board of worker's compensation magistrates and the worker's compensation appellate commission; to create certain other boards; to provide certain procedures for the resolution of claims, including mediation and arbitration; to prescribe certain benefits for persons suffering a personal injury under the act; to prescribe certain limitations on obtaining benefits under the act; to create, and provide for the transfer of, certain funds; to prescribe certain fees; to prescribe certain remedies and penalties; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," being section 418.625 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section 625 of Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, being section 418.625 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 625. (1) The accident fund and every insurer mentioned in section 611 issuing an insurance policy covering workmen's compensation in this state shall file with the director, within 30 days after the effective date of the policy, a notice of the issuance of the policy and its effective date. If the policy covers persons who would otherwise be exempted from the provisions of this act by section 115, the notice shall contain a specific statement to that effect. A notice shall not be required of the accident fund or any insurer where the policy issued is a renewal of the preceding policy. The accident fund or insurer, if it refuses to accept any coverage under this act, shall do so in writing.

(2) An insurer or the accident fund who fails to furnish a notice of issuance of policy to the director within the time period required by subsection (1) shall pay a civil penalty of \$10.00 for each day the filing is late. Not more than \$750.00 shall be assessed against an insurer or the accident fund for each late notice of issuance of policy under this subsection. The director shall advise each insurer and the accident fund by first class mail each month of all delinquent notices received by the bureau in the prior month with a calculation of the penalties due and payable to the bureau. A penalty imposed pursuant to this subsection shall be payable by the insurer or the accident fund within 30 days after the date of the bureau notice. The director shall give consideration to proof offered by an insurer or the accident fund that a notice of issuance of policy was filed with the director in a timely manner. The director shall take whatever action is proper to affect collection of any delinquent payments. Money received from collection of these penalties shall be deposited in the worker's compensation administrative revolving fund.

Section 2. This amendatory shall take effect November 1, 1993.

Secretary of the Senate.

Co-Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Approved -----

Governor.

