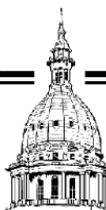




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House Bill 4500

Sponsor: Representative Frank M. Fitzgerald

House Committee: Human Resources and Labor

Senate Committee: Human Resources, Labor and Veterans Affairs

Date Completed: 11-7-95

**SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4500 as passed by the House:**

The bill would amend the Worker's Disability Compensation Act to increase the maximum cost of burial expenses for which an employer is responsible when a work-related injury results in death.

The Act specifies that, if death results from an injury, the employer must pay, or cause to be paid, "the reasonable expense of the employee's last sickness and burial". The cost of burial, however, cannot exceed \$1,500. The bill would increase the maximum burial expense to \$6,000, or the actual cost, whichever was less.

MCL 418.345

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

Fiscal Analyst: K. Lindquist

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