

**CHAPTER 33—H.F.No. 1378**

*An act relating to workers' compensation; modifying Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals personnel provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 175A.07, subdivision 2.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 175A.07, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Personnel.** The chief judge of the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals shall appoint in the manner provided by law all personnel required by the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals; ~~except that, each judge shall appoint the judge's own law clerks.~~ The law clerks are in the unclassified service. The commissioner of administration shall provide the court with necessary additional staff and administrative services, and the court shall reimburse the commissioner for the cost of these services. The chief judge may appoint an incumbent law clerk to a compensation attorney position. The chief judge may appoint a new compensation attorney when an incumbent law clerk, or the judge who appointed the law clerk, is no longer employed by the court. The total number of law clerks and compensation attorneys employed by the court at any time shall not exceed five. At least two other judges must approve the chief judge's selection of a compensation attorney. Compensation attorneys employed by the court shall be in the classified service.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE; TRANSITION.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment. The amendments to section 1 do not affect the employment status of an incumbent law clerk employed by the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals on that date.

Presented to the governor April 29, 2013

Signed by the governor May 1, 2013, 4:06 p.m.