

176.223 PROMPT FIRST ACTION REPORT.

(a) For purposes of this section:

(1) "insurer" means a workers' compensation insurer licensed in Minnesota and a self-insured employer approved to self-insure by the commissioner of commerce;

(2) "prompt first action" means that an insurer commenced payment of wage loss benefits, or filed a denial of liability for an injury or for wage loss benefits, within the time frames required by section 176.221, subdivision 1; and

(3) "wage loss benefits" means temporary total disability, temporary partial disability, and permanent total disability benefits, as described in section 176.101.

(b) No later than March 15 of each year, beginning on March 15, 2022, the department shall publish a report providing data for each insurer on the total number of the insurer's claims, and the number and percentage of the insurer's claims with prompt first action. The report must be based on data that the insurer reported to the commissioner in the previous calendar year, except that the commissioner may exclude incomplete or unreliable data. The five most recent reports must be published on the department's website.

(c) On or before January 15, 2022, and on or before each January 15 thereafter, the department must provide each insurer listed in the report with notice of the data on that insurer that the department plans to include in the report. By February 15, 2022, and by each February 15 thereafter, the insurer must electronically file corrected data with the commissioner in CAMPUS in order for it to be reflected in the March 15 report.

History: 1995 c 231 art 2 s 86; 7Sp2020 c 1 art 2 s 12; 2021 c 12 s 10