# 2005

# **CHAPTER 46**

An Act to amend The Workers' Compensation Act, 1979

(Assented to December 2, 2005)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

### Short title

1 This Act may be cited as The Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005.

S.S. 1979, c.W-17.1 amended

2 The Workers' Compensation Act, 1979 is amended in the manner set forth in this Act.

# Section 29.1 amended

**3(1)** Clause 29.1(1)(b) is amended:

- (a) by striking out "or" after subclause (iv); and
- (b) by adding the following after subclause (v):
  - "(vi) a primary site ureter cancer;
  - "(vii) a primary site colorectal cancer;
  - "(viii) a primary site lung cancer;
  - "(ix) a primary site testicular cancer; or

"(x) an injury to the heart that manifests within 24 hours after attendance at an emergency response".

(2) Subsection 29.1(2) is amended by striking out "If a worker" and substituting "Subject to subsection (3), if a worker".

## (3) Subsection 29.1(3) is repealed and the following substituted:

- "(3) The presumption mentioned in subsection (2) applies:
  - (a) only to a worker who:

(i) has been a full-time member of a fire department for the minimum period of employment prescribed in the regulations; and

(ii) has been regularly exposed to the hazards of a fire scene, other than a forest fire scene, throughout the period mentioned in subclause (i); and

(b) in the case of primary site lung cancer, only to a worker who has been a non-smoker before the date of injury for the minimum period prescribed in the regulations".

#### Section 181 amended

### 4 Subsection 181(3) is repealed and the following substituted:

"(3) For the purposes of section 29.1, the Lieutenant Governor in Council, after consulting with the board, may make regulations:

(a) prescribing periods of employment and, for that purpose, may prescribe different periods of employment for different listed diseases; and

(b) prescribing a minimum period for a worker to have been a non-smoker".

### Coming into force

5 This Act comes into force on proclamation.