CBA LPRC POSITION REQUEST FORM

The CBA Workers' Compensation Executive Composition request is as follows:

1) Proposed legislative or regulatory concept:

The Workers' Compensation Executive Committee (WCEC) supports an increase in the burial expense contained in C.G.S. section 31-306(1) from the current amount of \$4,000.00 up to \$10,000.00.

2) Explanation and rationale for advancing this position:

The amount of the 31-306(1) burial expense for workers killed on the job has not increased since P.A. 88-92. The tribal nations have in their workers' compensation laws a funeral expense provision in the amount of \$10,000.00. We are just seeking to bring this provision of our WC laws up to date.

- 3) Is draft regulation, legislation or proposed bill included?

 No. The WCEC anticipates that a bill amending the burial expense of 31-3106(1) will raised in the next legislative session.
- 4) What is the date of any legislative hearing, if known? None scheduled.
- 5) Was this position previously approved by the CBA? If so, when does/did it expire?
- 6) Is the CBA section or committee seeking to join a previously approved CBA section or committee position?
 No.
- 7) Potential or actual CBA opposition from another CBA section or committee? Not that we can foresee.
- 8) Strength of section position (including process and results of section vote taken on issue): This passed unanimously after discussion at the 11/18/20 workers' compensation executive committee meeting, and was proposed as a recommendation by the workers' compensation legislative initiative subcommittee.
- 9) Fiscal impact (on the state): Some additional cost for state workers killed on the job, but perhaps some state savings for single or indigent workers killed on the job whose burials would be funded
- 10) Are you seeking "fast-track" approval?

¹ A "fast track" recommendation will be submitted to the House of Delegates (HOD) or Board of Governors (BOG) at its next scheduled meeting (or, if between meetings of the HOD or BOG and during the legislative session, to the Executive Committee), and is warranted only when the Legislative Policy & Review Committee concludes that further analysis and study is unnecessary and where there is legitimate time pressure to address pending legislation.