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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION --  
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Introduced By: Representative Agostinho F. Silva

Date Introduced: March 02, 2011

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 28-29 of the General Laws entitled "Workers' Compensation -  
2 General Provisions" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **28-29-31. Employer's right to information regarding past claims.** – Notwithstanding  
4 any general or public law to the contrary, the department of labor and training shall, upon request,  
5 provide any employer providing benefits pursuant to this chapter information regarding a  
6 prospective employee's prior workers' compensation claims. The information provided shall be  
7 limited to the number of claims filed by the employee and the duration of any claim so awarded.  
8 The information shall be confidential and shall be used only by the employer for the employee's  
9 application of employment.

10           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would allow an employer access to a prospective employee's workers'
- 2   compensation claim history.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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