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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

(Salary increase for director and judges of Division of Workers' Compensation)

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LAWS OF 1977

CHAPTER 314

Bill No. S3107

Sponsor(s) Greenberg, Parker

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Senate Labor, Industry & Professions

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Sponsor's Statement:

This bill provides a salary increase for the director and judges of the Division of Workers' Compensation.

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SENATE, No. 3107

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 14, 1977

By Senators GREENBERG and PARKER

Referred to Committee on Labor, Industry and Professions

AN ACT concerning workers' compensation and amending R. S.
34:15-49.

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2 34:15-49. The Division of **Workmen's** *Workers'* Compensa-
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6 tion shall hereinafter be appointed on a bipartisan basis by the
7 Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate and shall serve
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9 shall be **[\$32,000.00]** *as provided in salary range 40 of the Com-*
10 *penetration Plan adopted by the Civil Service Commission in*
11 *accordance with Title 11, chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes of New*
12 *Jersey. [and the] The salary of the judges of compensation shall*
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21 *priate credit shall be given for years of service heretofore and*
22 *hereafter as judge of compensation, supervising judge of com-*
23 *penetration, chief judge of compensation or director of the division.*
24 **No subsequent annual increment for a judge of compensation shall*
25 *be made unless the judge of compensation is evaluated favorably*
26 *by the director of the division on the basis of recommendations*

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is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

27 *made by the supervising judge of compensation.** Judges of com-
28 *ensation shall not engage in the practice of law ***[and]** *,** shall
29 *devote full time to their judicial duties*, and shall have been*
30 *licensed attorneys for 10 years prior to their appointments. The*
31 *director of the division shall have the same qualifications for*
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STATEMENT

This bill provides a salary increase for the director and judges of the Division of Workers' Compensation.

SENATE LABOR, INDUSTRY AND
PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3107

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 1, 1977

This bill provides a salary increase for the director and judges of the Division of Workers' Compensation.

The committee amended the bill to require that a judge of compensation receive a favorable evaluation from the Director of Compensation, based on recommendations of a supervising Judge, before said judge could receive an annual increment.

The committee also amended the bill to require that a judge of compensation be an attorney for 10 years prior to appointment and that the director of the Division of Workers' Compensation have the same qualifications for appointment as a judge of compensation.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE, No. 3107

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED DECEMBER 1, 1977

Amend page 1, section 1, line 23, after “.”, insert “No subsequent annual increment for a judge of compensation shall be made unless the judge of compensation is evaluated favorably by the director of the division on the basis of recommendations made by the supervising judge of compensation.”.

Amend page 1, section 1, line 24, omit “and”, insert “,”.

Amend page 1, section 1, line 25, after “duties”, insert “, and shall have been licensed attorneys for 10 years prior to their appointments. The director of the division shall have the same qualifications for appointment as a judge of compensation”.

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