

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 889 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, FONTANA, SOLOBAY AND SCHWANK, APRIL 26, 2013

REFERRED TO LABOR AND INDUSTRY, APRIL 26, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled, as
 2 reenacted and amended, "An act defining the liability of an
 3 employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe
 4 in the course of employment; establishing an elective
 5 schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the
 6 determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and
 7 prescribing penalties," providing for cost-of-living
 8 increases in the amount of compensation payable.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. The act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known
 12 as the Workers' Compensation Act, reenacted and amended June 21,
 13 1939 (P.L.520, No.281), is amended by adding a section to read:

14 Section 308.2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
 15 act, the amount of compensation payable to an employe, other
 16 than medical costs, and to the survivor of an employe shall be
 17 increased each year by the same percentage as the increase in
 18 the cost of living for the previously completed calendar year,
 19 as published by the United States Department of Labor. The
 20 increase in the amount of compensation payable shall take effect
 21 thirty days after publication of the percentage increase by the

1 United States Department of Labor.

2 Section 2. This act shall apply to compensation payable on
3 or after January 1, 2014.

4 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.