

CHAPTER NO. 219

SENATE BILL NO. 1404

By Haynes, Dixon

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1644

By Larry Turner, Michael Turner, Sherry Jones, Langster, West, Newton, Briley, Brooks, Brenda Turner

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-201 and Section 59-6-203, relative to notice of injury under the Workers' Compensation Law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-201, is amended by adding the following language at the end of the section:

In those cases where the occurrence of an injury occurs as the result of gradual or cumulative events or trauma, then the injured employee or such injured employee's representative shall provide notice to the employer of the injury within thirty (30) days after the employee:

(1) Knows or reasonably should know that he or she has suffered a work-related injury that has resulted in permanent physical impairment; or

(2) Is rendered unable to continue to perform his or her normal work activities as the result of the work-related injury and the employee knows or reasonably should know that the injury was caused by work-related activities.

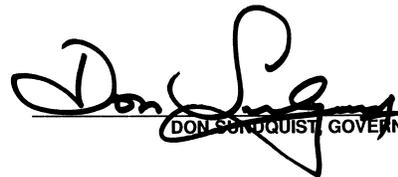
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 7, 2001

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2001

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR