## House File 383 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE BY ANDERSON and FORRISTALL Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_ Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_ A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to the payment of interest on certain workers' compensation benefit payments and providing an applicability 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 5 TLSB 2348HH 82 6 av/qq/14 PAG LIN Section 1. Section 535.3, subsection 1, Code 2007, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 1. Interest shall be allowed on all money due on judgments 4 and decrees of courts at a rate calculated according to 5 section 668.13, except for. However, interest due pursuant to 6 section 85.30 for which the rate shall be ten percent per year 7 shall accrue from the date each compensation payment is due at 8 a yearly rate equal to the one=year treasury constant maturity 9 published by the federal reserve in the H15 report settled 10 immediately prior to or on July 1 plus two percent. This 11 is applicable to all such compensation payments due during 1 12 each fiscal year beginning on July 1 and ending the following <u>13 June 30</u>. Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY DATE. This Act is applicable to 1 14 1 15 compensation payments due for personal injuries arising out of 1 16 and in the course of employment under chapters 85, 85A, and 1 17 85B that occur on or after July 1, 2007. 1 18 EXPLANATION 1 19 This bill amends Code section 535.3 to provide that the 1 20 interest rate on overdue payments of weekly workers' 1 21 compensation benefits pursuant to Code section 85.30 shall 1 22 accrue from the date each such payment is due at a yearly rate 1 23 equal to the one=year treasury constant maturity published by 1 24 the federal reserve in the H15 report settled immediately 1 25 prior to or on July 1 plus 2 percent. This is the same rate 1 26 of interest that is allowed on judgments and decrees of 27 courts. Currently, the interest rate for such overdue 28 payments is 10 percent per year. The bill also provides that the interest rate is applicable 1 30 to all such compensation payments due during each fiscal year 1 31 beginning on July 1 and ending the following June 30 for

1 32 personal injuries arising out of and in the course of

1 33 employment that occur on or after July 1, 2007. 1 34 LSB 2348HH 82

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