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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original Senate Bill No. 162 by Senator Seabaugh

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 15, after "Section." delete the remainder of the line

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, delete lines 16 and 17 and insert:

5 **"The party who filed the appeal shall notify the director that he has done so within ten**  
6 **days. The director shall compile and forward the entire record used by the medical**  
7 **director in issuing the decision to the district hearing office within fifteen days of**  
8 **receiving the notice. The record shall be made available to the parties upon request.**  
9 **At the hearing on the appeal, if no evidence in addition to the record is introduced, the**  
10 **workers' compensation judge shall either affirm or reverse the decision of the medical**  
11 **director based upon the record that was before the medical director. If additional**  
12 **evidence that was not submitted to the medical director is introduced at the hearing,**  
13 **then the judge shall remand the case to the medical director for consideration of the**  
14 **additional evidence. Following remand, the medical director shall render a new**  
15 **decision after considering the additional evidence within thirty days of the remand. If**  
16 **the medical director takes no action within thirty days of the remand order, the judge**  
17 **shall decide the appeal based upon the entire record."**