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ACT No. 291

HOUSE BILL NO. 502

BY REPRESENTATIVE PONTI

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 23:1377(G), relative to workers compensation; to provide with respect to the Second Injury Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 23:1377(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1377. Workers' Compensation Second Injury Fund

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G. The Second Injury Board may approve an annual lump-sum amount up to one percent of the board's annual budget to be allocated to Louisiana Rehabilitation Services for use in assisting potential employers and qualified employees with permanent partial disabilities under the Louisiana Rehabilitation Services Vocational Rehabilitation Program. Services may include work evaluation and job readiness services, assessment for and provision of assistive technology, and workstation modification directly related to the employment, reemployment, or retention of such employees. The funds paid by the Second Injury Board, as well as any fund matching and earned interest, shall be used only for these purposes. The Louisiana Rehabilitation Services shall provide the Second Injury Board with a

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quarterly report to include all funding balances and expenditures as well as case statistical information.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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