

## Session 108 - (1989-1990)

### **H 3921 General Bill, By J.C. Hearn, R.S. Corning, J.W. Johnson and J.E. Lockemy**

A Bill to amend Section 42-17-10, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to Workers' Compensation, awards procedure, and agreement as to compensation, so as to allow an employer and a carrier to initiate payment without an agreement upon filing a notice of conditional payment, and to add Section 42-9-265 so as to provide that upon filing with the Commission a notice of conditional payment as described in Section 42-17-110, the employer's carrier or the employer, if self-insured, may begin payment of benefits pursuant to Title 42 while the carrier or the employer conducts an investigation as to liability, to further provide that the employer or carrier may, within sixty days after the commencement of payment, cease further payment if investigation determines the claim is not compensable, to provide for a hearing on why payment was stopped and to provide for a fifty percent penalty where payments are stopped arbitrarily, and to require payment of the penalty to the employee.

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<b>05/17/89</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-43</b>
<b>05/31/89</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Objection by Rep. J. Rogers HJ-59</b>
<b>05/31/89</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until June 25, 1989 HJ-59</b>
<b>01/18/90</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Objection by Rep. T. Rogers &amp; Faber HJ-35</b>