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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3034

Page 1, line 2, after "compensation" insert "permanent partial impairment"

Page 1, replace lines 16 and 17 with:

**WHEREAS**, an employee injured on the job may receive a permanent partial impairment benefit from the North Dakota Workers Compensation Bureau based on the injured worker's loss of use of a body part due to the work injury; and

**WHEREAS**, unlike other states, a permanent partial impairment award in North Dakota is not based on wages lost or on the worker's ability to do his or her job; and

**WHEREAS**, the Social Security Administration also offsets North Dakota workers' compensation permanent partial impairment awards against social security disability payments even though the permanent partial impairment awards are not disability benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the offset of permanent partial impairment awards results in a substantial loss of benefits to the injured worker;"

Page 1, line 22, after "compensation" insert "permanent partial impairment"

Renumber accordingly