Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB137		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Habeeb
- 3. Committee: Commerce and Labor
- 4. Title: Workers' compensation; injuries presumed to be in course of employment.
- **5. Summary:** Revises the provision enacted in 2011 that created a presumption, in the absence of a preponderance of evidence to the contrary, that an injury is work related if an employee is physically or mentally unable to testify and there is unrebutted prima facie evidence that the injury was work related. This measure substitutes the phrase 'arose out of and were in the course of employment' for 'were work related.'
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None
- 8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact is reported
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Workers' Compensation Commission
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: no

11. Other Comments: n/a

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